

1983-84 Beta Club Officers at New Brockton High School were elected recently. The officers are (L-R) Carla Hornsby-president, Sondra Reynolds-vice-president, Brenda Anderson-secretary, Tim Fleming-treasurer and Jana Burkett and Cindy Henderson-reporter and historian.

Michael Driggers Completes Basic Training

PVT. Michael W. Driggers, U.S. Army, son of Mr. and Mrs. Loyd Driggers of Route one Box 43E Elba, has successfully completed Basic Training Cycle 10-83, starting December 3, 1982 and ending February 12, 1983, as a member of Co. D, 1st Battalion 3D Basic Training Brigade, Fort Dix, New Jersey.



Michael Driggers

EARLY FILES

TEN YEARS AGO MAY 10, 1973

***Mrs. June King is the new sheriff's clerk for Coffee County. She lives in Pinckard, and her son Ned Paschal Harrison Jr., is married to the former Nancy Clark from Elba.

***New Era Junior Woman's Club was organized October 16, 1982. Members are: Mrs. Gareth Lindsey, Mrs. Kenneth Arnold, Miss Jo Greer, Mrs. Kenneth Baker, Mrs. Tony Mularz, Mrs. Dale Crowe, Mrs. John Foreman, Mrs. Butch Oggs, Mrs. Larry Grantham, Mrs. Bob Roberson, Mrs. Tony Hudson, Mrs. Neal Mitchell and Mrs. Wayne Nelson.

***Mr. and Mrs. Willis R. Wise of Victoria, rated their 60th wedding anniversary in their home the afternoon of May 6.

***The Elba Teachers Association met Monday and installed officers for the coming year. They also presented a program, "This Is Your Life" for three retiring teachers - Mrs. Dixie Deal, Mrs. Johnny B. Berry and Mrs. Claude B. Reynolds.

***Mr. Sam Collier is pictured with his daughter Heidi as he meets her returning from the band's successful trip to Pensacola.

***ZC News: Student Spotlight: Darlene Barr, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Robert H. Barr of Rt. 2, Brundidge. She is in the eighth grade, and enjoys horseback riding, tennis, swimming and softball.

TWENTY YEARS AGO MAY 9, 1963

***The Business and Professional Women's Club of Elba sponsored a shower last Monday afternoon to benefit the Elba recreation hall at the city pool. Those participating were Mrs. Price Ringo, Mrs. Cecil Prescott, Miss Gladys Clark, Mrs. Roger Winston, Mrs. Gareth Lindsey, Mrs. P.J. Sellers, Miss June Ray Jones, Mrs. Walter Cox, Mrs. Will Vaughan, Mrs. Bessie Bullard, Mrs. Jim Dowdy, Mrs. Mable Lawless. The club presented an electronic stove other useful gifts were also given. The hall is the center of much activity during the summer months and is open for use year-round.

***Through the Keyhole, with Mrs. Robert Cannon: The miracle of a little girl being enjoyed this week by Dixie and Pete Dorsey who welcomed their first-born May 1. Stacey Lee is named for her maternal grandfather, the late Richard Lee Hayes, and weighs a petite seven pounds.

***Betsy Inman and Maxwell Reeves Jr. were chosen Girls and Boys State representatives at a recent meeting of American Legion Culver Post 73.

***EHS Tiger Tales, by Alice Wilson: Last Thursday Dr. Charles Graham, pastor of the First Baptist Church, carried Jon and Don Boswell, Richard Thomas and Jerry Huggins, all juniors at Elba High School, to Birmingham for a tour and visit to Howard College.

THIRTY YEARS AGO MAY 7, 1953

***Andy Kinney, president of Mrs. Robert Cannon's home room, is pictured as the crowns Betty Bowland queen of the Junior-Senior coronation banquet held at the school luncheon April 24. Jon and Don Boswell are pages.

***The east part of the Taylor Warehouse Company's building has been razed and work is ready to start on the construction of the two brick storehouses facing Factory Street at the Buford Street Corner. John Taylor, manager of the warehouse, stated the new post office building and its companion structure will be completed as rapidly as possible.

***Mr. and Mrs. Billy Oggs entertained several couples

Thursday night in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Clawson of Rock Hill, N.C., who have been visiting in the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Bullard. Enjoying the party were Messieurs and Mesdames Bill Bruce, Willard Martin, Drexel Cook of Enterprise, Jack Dickert of Brundidge, Mace Cook.

FORTY YEARS AGO MAY 13, 1943

***Included in the number of 17 boys from Coffee County who will participate in a patriotic mission of helping harvest Irish potatoes in Baldwin County are these from New Brockton: Charles Ray Flowers, Max Roberts, Burney Mac Bowden, Charles Perkins, James A. Brock Jr., Angus McDermott and Ray Sinkfield.

***Mr. and Mrs. J.L. Larkins of Monroe, LA, visited relatives in Elba last week. They were enroute to the Hawaiian Islands where Mr. Larkins is engaged in government work for the duration.

***Paul Rowe Brunson, Nathan Aronson and Harold Farris, all of Elba, left today for Ft. McPherson, GA, to enter military service, having been accepted last week. Several other boys left also.

***Edmund Winchester Rucker an outstanding officer of the Civil War for whom Camp Rucker was named, was born July 22, 1835, in Rutherford County, TN. He was a son of Edmund Rucker, M.D., a native of Virginia, and the grandson of Thomas Rucker, an officer in the War of 1812. He came to Alabama in 1869 and died in Birmingham at the age of 88.

***Pfc. James B. Layton has returned to Ft. Benning, Georgia, after visiting his mother, other relatives and friends in and around Elba. His uncle, Alto Calhoun of Jack, gave him a nice party Saturday night.

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City Council Appoints Dr. Bill Cowart To School Board

FRONT END LOADER gathers up the front wall of this two-story New Brockton building as day breaks Monday morning following the strike by a tornado.

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The Elba City Council met May 9 with all members present and voting. Reports of the police chief, recreation director and five board appointments were handled in the meeting that included a request for a sewage line extension, support for the nursing home patients and formally approving a "letter of intent" to lease the city-owned hospital.

Elba High Graduation Ceremonies To Begin Sunday Night, May 22

Elba High School graduation exercises have been set for Sunday night, May 22, and Friday night, May 27, according to Principal Lamar Foley. Minister Terry E. Gummels, Elba Church of Christ, will deliver the baccalaureate sermon on Sunday night in the high school auditorium. The invocation will be rendered by Rev. G.D. Galloway, York Chapel A.M.E. Church; and Mr. Paul King, chairman, Elba City Board of Education, will give the benediction. Special music will be presented by a senior choral group under the direction of Mr. Steve Thompson. The traditional processional and recessional will be played by Miss Kathy Tucker, pianist.

Ushers for the baccalaureate service will include Wendy Bowers, Crystal Caldwell, Beverly McCall, Stephanie Smith, Marshall Bowers, Kevin Kelley, Keith Murdock and Malcolm Wright.

Sen. Crum Foshee To Serve On Building Comm.

Senator Crum Foshee, along with Senator Denton, Senator Bandy and Senator Mitchell was elected by his fellow Senators to serve on the Alabama Building Commission.

The Building Commission consists of the Governor, the State Health Officer, the Director of Finance, the State Superintendent, four Senators, four House members. Foshee says the Commission has full power and authority for and on behalf of the State of Alabama to regulate all state construction where state property, material

Dr. Bill Cowart was appointed to the Elba School Board to replace J. Doug Kendrick, whose term expires at the end of May. The motion was made by Councilman Sonny Inman and seconded by Councilman Charles Kennett. The vote for this appointment and four others was unanimous.

Four vacancies were filled on the Planning and Zoning Board. Mrs. V.D. McCreary was appointed to fill the vacancy created by the death of her husband; Mrs. Doris Taylor was reappointed; Bobby King and Glen Vaughan were appointed to the board. Douglas Gibbs requested water and sewage to the house he moved due to the bypass road. He quoted Mayor Bob English as printed in the January 15, 1981, edition of The Elba Clipper as saying the city would do anything within reason to see that he got services. English acknowledged this statement and assured Gibbs he would still make the statement. It was agreed by the city officials and Gibbs that permission would be sought from the State of Alabama to lay water and sewer lines from the new right-of-way to Gibbs' property line and he would take care of the balance.

Mr. and Mrs. Bill Blair addressed the council on the needs of residents of the nursing home and asked for moral support in getting citizens to help these people, many of whom don't have family or money to buy medicine and other necessities.

Recreation Director Dennis Smith gave the council members a short overview of the grant request submitted by his department to state and federal agencies. Some are 100 percent funds and others are matching funds. Smith explained that some of the matching funds could be "in-kind" work and would help the cash flow of the city in that respect.

The police department has been hampered by two officers being assigned to light duty for medical reasons, plus one vacancy; but the work is being done by the balance of the department and several auxiliary officers. The written report of department activities showed that 199 dog complaints had been received and 28 dogs and 10 cats impounded.

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Tornado Rocks New Brockton



FRONT END LOADER gathers up the front wall of this two-story New Brockton building as day breaks Monday morning following the strike by a tornado.

Stormy weather hit the Coffee County area in the pre-dawn hours Monday morning causing heavy rainfall damage over most of the county and a tornado created havoc in a mile-and-a-half strip of New Brockton in the center of the county. A tornado also cut a path through a wooded area south of Elba.

The four-inch-plus rain that hit many areas of the county during the thunderstorms was damaging to field crops and roads, but not nearly as devastating as the havoc wrought by the violent actions of the tornado that hit homes, businesses, utilities and giant oaks and pecan trees in New Brockton about 4 a.m. Monday.

The home of Henry William Locklar, age 82, was minus a top after the twister passed through, and the bedroom ceiling was in bed with Mr. Locklar. He was helped from the maze by two neighbors, Tim and Ronnie Adams. When asked if the events scared him, Locklar said, "I didn't have time to get scared - it was over in a second."

The Mason Lodge was housed upstairs in a two-story brick building on Main Street, and the affairs of the Masons was open to the public as daylight broke, because the brick front wall of the building was piled down on the sidewalk and out into the street. This caused some concern about the wall of The Peoples Bank being safe, and it was decided by bank officials to remain closed until the structure could be examined by experts.

Glass was broken out of several businesses, electric power and telephone service was disrupted by the tornado. Gene and Janice Stickland were downtown Monday morning and reported the twister moved their daughter's trampoline from the yard to the back yard and removed the ventilators from the roof.

Tim Adams climbed out of his mobile home, differently than on previous mornings, as the trailer was upside down. He suffered an arm injury but no broken bones, and the mobile home of one of his brothers was pushed from its blocks, but not overturned.

Heavy damage was caused to a number of other homes by falling trees. Charles Cole, principal of New Brockton Elementary School, considers his family lucky, as several large trees hit their home and one crashed into their bedroom and crushed the bed only moments after they ran into another part of the house.

Cole explained that he got up and was putting on his pants to go out and



MAYOR L.A. ADKISON, second from right, surveys tornado damage Monday morning in downtown New Brockton. He holds a two-way radio at ready to issue instructions to repair crews. Sgt. Charles Goodson, left, stands by to offer assistance on behalf of the Alabama National Guard.

see what was happening after one tree crashed into the front of the house. He heard and/or felt the tree falling into the back bedroom, yelled at his wife Barbara and asked where their son was at the time. When she said he was with her, Cole suggested they go into the kitchen which wasn't near any trees. About this time he realized the ceiling was falling in, and as he reached down to lift his wife and son from the bed, larger pieces were coming down fast and a large board hit his arm. After they got out of the room, found some matches to light the old-fashioned kerosene lamps his wife kept in the house (the flashlight was under the rubble in the bedroom), they waited for the storm to pass on, and then surveyed the damage.

Bill Tindol worked his way through the tree limbs in his front yard and in the street to inquire about help in lifting the large trees from the utility lines and to assure everyone his family was okay. He turned to The Elba Clipper reporter and commented, "You asked us to bring you some news the last time we renewed our subscription, and here it is!"

City School Board Votes To Extend Contract Of Supt.

The Elba City School Board met May 5, 1983, in the board room with all present except J. Doug Kendrick who was out due to sickness.

Probably the most significant item of business for the board was the extension of the contract with Superintendent John Osburn. The matter was not on the agenda prepared by the superintendent's office, but Chairman Paul King requested the board to consider the matter, and a unanimous decision for a three-year extension of the contract was passed. The only discussion was praise for the job being done.

Osburn said, "I appreciate this, though I didn't request it." He continued with, "I consider this a vote of confidence. I have no problem committing to you that I will continue to do the best job I can."

Osburn further stated, "I hope to keep the lines of communication open and you (the board) have seen to it this communication has been an open two-way link."

The school calendar for the next year was approved, with students to register and begin school on August 22.

Questions about the courses offered in the system brought a suggestion that a work session be scheduled to update the board members on the course of study. Board members also requested that a feasibility study be made on including Spanish as an additional foreign language. It was noted that more and more area people are being exposed to Spanish-speaking people, but one or two have expressed intent to remove the French classes, but offer the additional Spanish.

A list of teachers who don't have tenure was presented and Osburn told board members that all these teachers



Supt. Osburn and Butch Oggs

would get letters informing them their contracts wouldn't be renewed. Osburn explained this was routine, and until funding for the coming year was determined, these contracts wouldn't be re-signed.

All tenured teachers would be offered another contract, Osburn said, but one or two have expressed intent to resign, and the superintendent stated he would recommend the board honor these requests and join him in commending those leaving for a job well done.

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Brainstorms

By FERRIN COX

The Industrial Appreciation Day activities went off perfectly last Saturday. Even the ol' weatherman, who has blessed us with rain this year, cooperated and it was a perfect day for the events. The whole idea of the affair is to show local industry they are not forgotten - and in fact are really appreciated. The Chamber of Commerce in many communities is criticized for ignoring the existing industry in their efforts to get new industry. We salute the Elba Chamber of Commerce for being concerned for the well-being of existing industry before we go running off to seek a bunch of new folks.

The events Saturday were just great! We can't say enough about the work, cooperation of workers and planners, and the general attitude of all those who were involved in the event. Comments of the people who visited in town during the day were favorable, and apparently all enjoyed the displays and shopping in the local stores.

We have never before been around a bunch of runners on race day, but these folks were very much involved in their sport. They are good folks, well-mannered and a credit to sports in general. When we think of it, they must keep in good physical shape to run and this cuts out smoking, etc. They also probably have to eat - and/or not eat - certain type foods. Whatever it is that makes them run also makes them well-mannered citizens, and we welcome them all to Elba any time. In fact, before they had even stopped hassling from the run, several of the participants were already talking of returning next year.

We followed the bass fishermen also... from the daybreak launching through the weigh-in Saturday afternoon. There were not many fish caught, but the fishermen were content in doing what they enjoyed; and in fact they were supporting the activities of the local Chamber of Commerce. We personally appreciated the good-natured way the fishermen allowed themselves to be kidded by the Master of Ceremonies Red Holland. Even though some very good fishermen didn't catch any fish, they still had energy enough to laugh at themselves. To this writer, this is the sign of a person who is confident of his abilities and is not shaken to admit that every fishing trip doesn't produce fish.

The arts and crafts displays on the square were visited by a whole bunch of folks Saturday, and we saw a number of the exhibitors who were making sales; undoubtedly, others will be made later as a result of the exposure.

It was an Industrial Appreciation Day and the exhibits of the local industries were spaced around with those of the crafts and were worthy of a visit. It is not every day that us "outsiders" get a chance to examine some of these Elba products this closely, and we probably should be more attentive of them when we get these rare chances.

Downtown merchants got involved in the festivities with special sales and sidewalk displays to further expose their merchandise to the potential buyers. It was the skilled merchandiser that could erect a sidewalk display that would stop a visitor and entice them to see the wider range of supplies within the store.

The day was climaxed with a catfish supper, and after watching just the cooking and serving of the meal Saturday afternoon, we can testify that there was a lot of work that went into this project. Those folks were scrunching ice, buying more fish and more fish until the workers' tongues were hanging almost to the hot grease. They quit cooking at the appointed time, and not a piece of fish was wasted. A number of people dropped by later in the evening, hoping to pick up a plate of fresh catfish, but it was all gone and the temporary kitchen had been closed down and packed away for another year.

During the "over 15 years" we have been writing this column, this is the first time we have used the entire space to blather about a single subject. We were impressed by the day's events and the comments of other people confirmed that we were not alone. We used this method of bragging about the event to stress just how important we feel the project is and how strongly we feel it should be done again and again and again.

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TOP SALESMEN... in the recent PTO contest for \$100 worth of gas were (L-R): Page Jones - tops in elementary school; and Markell Adkison, tops at the middle school. Winner of the gas was Mrs. Kathy Smith.

Dorsey Receives Trophy

T.K. (Kimmie) Dorsey was the recipient of the Jack Cole Membership Trophy of the Alabama Trucking Association at its recent annual meeting and convention in Biloxi, MS. Dorsey is a resident of Elba, Alabama, and special regional sales representative of McGriff Wholesale Tire Corp., of Cullman, Alabama. It was the third time he had won the award which was begun in 1958 to recognize the individual recruiting the most new members.

Dorsey is also a past president of the Association. The Award, a huge silver cup, was originated to stimulate membership.

Goodman To Hold

Graduation

In graduation exercises at Goodman Junior High School, Thursday, May 19, Miss Sherry Wallace and Mr. Michael Herrington will be honored as the school's Valedictorian and Salutatorian, respectively.

Sherry is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. LeVeri Wallace and Michael is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Royce Herrington. Both families are long-time residents of the Goodman Community.

The welcoming address at the Commencement Exercises will be given by Michael and the Valedictory remarks by Sherry. The ceremony will begin at 8 p.m. in the school's auditorium.

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Letters To The Editor

Dear Mr. Mulare:

Please allow us to use your paper as an outlet to say some special thank you's. Our Second Annual Industrial Appreciation Day was a great success. The addition of the 10,000 meter run sponsored by National Security Insurance and the Pen River Bass Tournament made it a great day to be in Elba. Thank you to every business and individual who donated prizes, trophies, food, drinks, time, effort and energy to amount up to a wonderful time for everyone. Those persons who made the Industrial Displays, Arts and Crafts, Entertainment 10K Run, Bass Tournament, Catfish Supper and Sidewalk Displays possibly need an individual thank you... out you're just too numerous to mention. The City joined together and brought a great day out of it.

Committee chairmen for the events are to be commended for their organizational work. Spearheads Bob Robertson, Kenneth and Lucia Grantham, Harry Jacobs, Steve Johnson and John Osburn organized the volunteers and everything fell into place. We're proud of Elba and Saturday showed that. Thank you again.

Sincerely,

L. Merrill Shirley, Paula Stokes Mills

Zion Chapel Band Boosters

Reda Sheffield

Publicity Chairman

Police Docket

The Elba Police Dept. reported a busy week with a total of seven arrests made for assault-third degree, speeding, violation of prohibition law, obtaining drugs by a fraud name and address, bringing stolen property into the state, driving with a revoked license and use of improper tag.

Following are daily excerpts from the police docket:

Tuesday, May 10

Activity included a false alarm at the Work Release Center (9:13 a.m.), a false alarm at the National Guard Armory (10:05 a.m.), a false alarm at The Peoples Bank (1:19 p.m.), another false alarm at The Peoples Bank (3:01 p.m.), a false alarm at the Exchange Bank (9:47 p.m.) and a subject reported with a gun at Morrow Village (11:18 p.m.).

Wednesday, May 11

Activity included a Rescue Squad run to Plant Avenue (7:02 p.m.) and a false alarm at the TGGY (9:29 p.m.).

Thursday, May 12

Activity included a false alarm at the TGGY (8:07 a.m.), a false alarm at The Peoples Bank (8:13 a.m.), and the issuance of five traffic citations.

Friday, May 13

Activity included a complaint of a dog barking on Plant Avenue (2:07 a.m.), a wreck on Hickman Avenue (9:35 a.m.), a Rescue Squad transfer to Dothan (10:49 a.m.) a disturbance on Thomas Avenue (3:14 p.m.) and a report of gunshots at Larkins Rd. (10:56 p.m.).

Saturday, May 14

Activity included a report of drunks on Brunson St. (1:30 a.m.), a fire at a trailer

at the city pool (3:57 a.m.), a report of a dog bite victim at the hospital (3:11 p.m.), a Rescue Squad run to Sunset Blvd. (7:20 p.m.) a prowler at a home on 84 West (8:24 p.m.), a possible drunk on the Troy Hwy. (8:45 p.m.), a report of someone letting the air out of tires at the Rec. Center (10:01 p.m.) and a complaint of loud music at the Little Beaver Trailer Court (10:44 p.m.).

Sunday, May 15

Activity included a drunk reported in public on Brunson Circle (11:13 a.m.) and a disturbance on Carver Drive (3:32 p.m.).

Monday, May 16

Activity included a report of the road washed out near Tabernacle Church (6:07 a.m.), a wreck in front of WELB (6:14 a.m.) a theft at the Hollis Timber Co. (7:21 a.m.) a wreck on Taylor Mill Road (12:11 p.m.) a Rescue Squad transfer to Dothan (1:45 p.m.) and a prowler at Dr. Crook's office (7:49 p.m.).

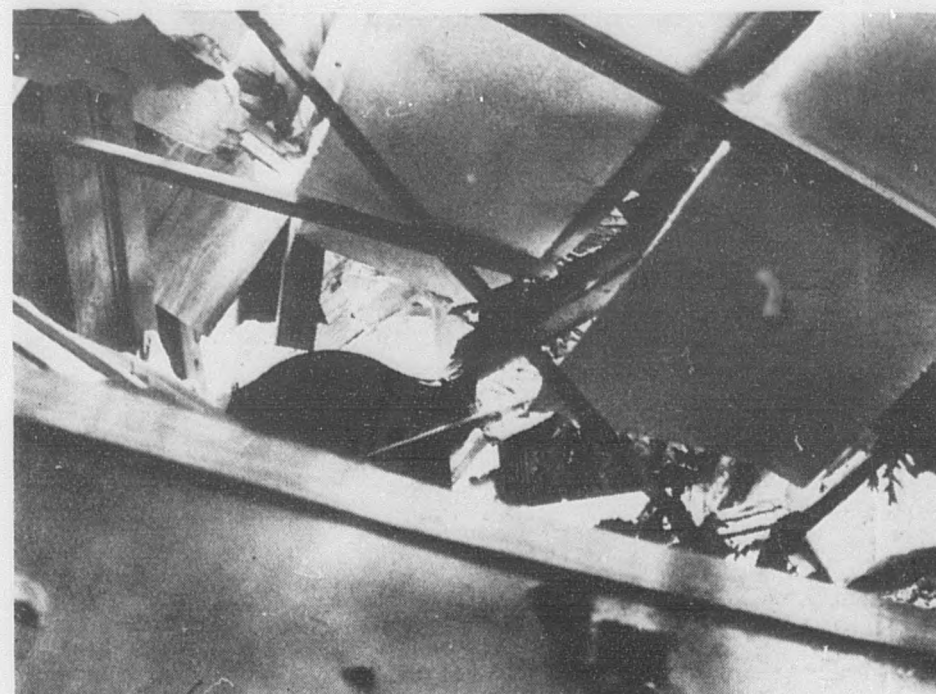
Death

Thomas Eugene Jacobs

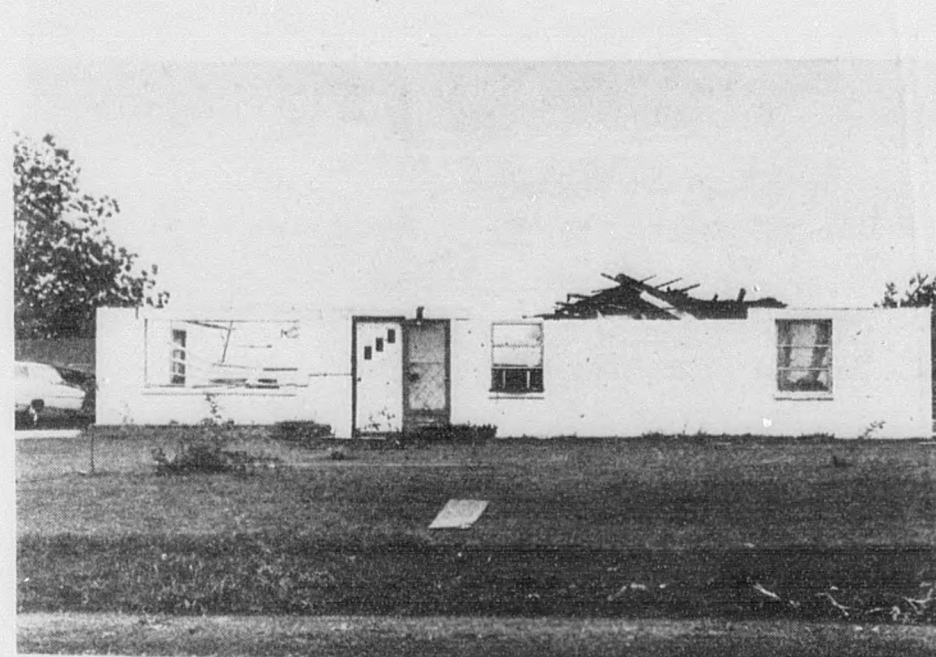
Thomas Eugene Jacobs of Route 5 Elba, Alabama, died May 17, 1983 at 6:00 a.m. at his home.

Funeral will take place Thursday May 19, 1983 at 10:00 a.m. Burial will take place at Evergreen Cemetery with Hayes Funeral Home directing. Rev. Jim Arbogast will be officiating.

Survivors include his wife-Christine Jacobs, Elba; one brother-Charles W. Jacobs, Elba; two sisters-Louise Burch, Miami, FL; and Ranelle Rouillard, Alexandria, Virginia; two sons- Larry Jacobs, Fayetteville, Tennessee; and Dennis Jacobs, Nashville Tennessee; one daughter, Susan Bragg, Phenix City, Alabama and four grand children.



THIS WAS THE BEDROOM of Charles Cole after the ceiling collapsed directly on top of the bed.



THE ROOF of the Henry William Locklar home was blown off and came to rest in the back yard.



NEIGHBORS EXAMINE extensive damage to Locklar home.



ROOF DAMAGE was a common sight.



GIANT OAK TREE was no match for tornado.

The Sleeping Town Of New Brockton Was Rudely Awakened By The Monday Morning Tornado!!!

A Brief Tour

Of The City

Revealed

Damage To

Many Homes

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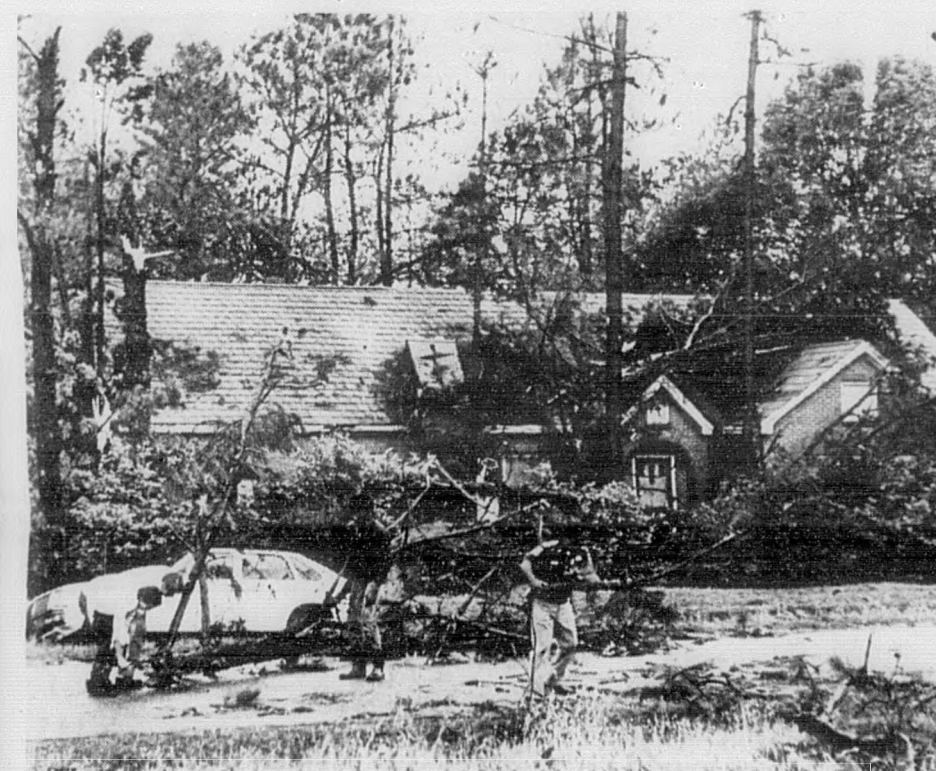
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THE BEAUTIFUL SHADE TREES in the yard of the Charles Cole home turned into deadly weapons as they crashed into the home.



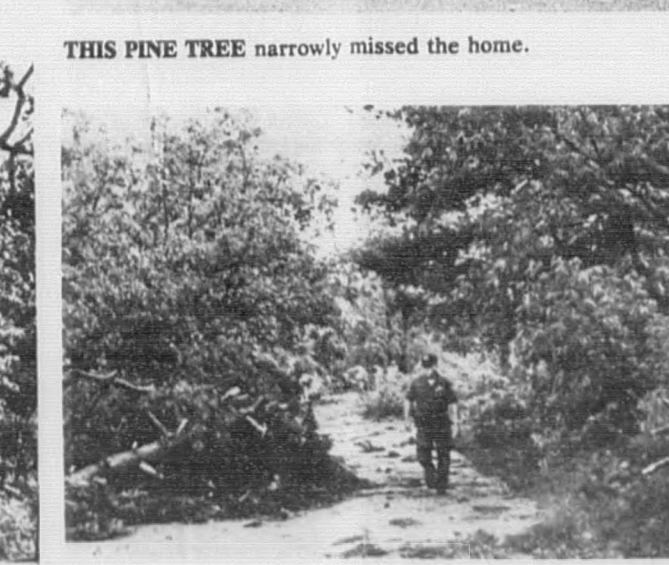
TREE TOPS snapped and a chimney was knocked over as the storm blew through



THE ROOF of this garage was blown into a nearby tree.



THE TRAILER of Tim Adams flipped from the tornadic winds.



THIS PINE TREE narrowly missed the home.

FORESTRY OFFICER walks down tree-covered road.

4-H RALLY WINNERS



4th GRADE RALLY WINNERS . . . Winning the Elba Middle School 4-H trophy for the 4th grade was Mrs. Dixie Dorsey's room. Presenting the trophy was Dr.

Tim Miller of Elba. This year's 4-H rally was held at the Elba High School football stadium.



5th GRADE RALLY WINNERS . . . Mrs. Mary Lois Wilson's 5th grade has reason to be happy. They won the 5th grade 4-H trophy at the Elba Middle School.

Rally. Presenting this award is Paula Mims of the Elba Chamber of Commerce.

Bluegrass Music

Coming To Elba

In June

The Elba Jaycees will present the 5th annual "Bluegrass Music Festival" on Friday and Saturday, June 10-11 and plans are for this year's festival to be the biggest and best ever!

The festival will take place on Taylor Farm, located on County Road 50, five miles northwest of Elba. Featured groups include Bucksprings, Glen Tolbert and Company, White Sands Panhandle Band, High Point Ramblers, Muscogee River Girls and on Saturday only the Mayor and Buford.

Other activity will include a tobacco spitting contest, a buck dance contest, a dunking machine and various arts and crafts.

Barbecue and concessions will be available and everyone is urged to bring their lawn chairs for a good seat to watch the show.

Tickets will be \$5 on Friday (6-12 p.m.), \$8 on Saturday (10 a.m. until) or save money and buy a week-end ticket in advance for \$10.



PAINTING ON DISPLAY AT ESJC . . . Louella Henderson, president, Coffee County Arts Alliance, and Dr. Joseph Talmadge, president, Enterprise State Junior College, admire the 1983 Piney Woods Arts Festival President's Purchase Award painting. The painting is on display at ESJC.

All Around Coffee County

Thomas C. Casaday

SPECIAL Wally Boswell of Enterprise, 7th grade Coppinville student, has done something that very few boys get to do. He made his own incubator to hatch a few baby chicks. With his mother helping and encouraging him, he took a cardboard box and lined the inside with aluminum foil. He then designed a lid which is pyramid-shaped. He wrapped newspaper around the outside for insulation.

To heat his little homemade incubator, he used a bedroom lamp with a 25-watt bulb. He left this light burning continuously. It took about three days to adjust the bulb to get the right temperature of 99°. Inside his tiny incubator, he kept an eight-ounce glass of water. Close to the water he placed a thermometer to check the temperature.

Every morning at 7 a.m. and every night at 7 p.m. he turned each egg over carefully. Out of seven eggs he placed in his incubator, one little chick has hatched. He's expecting two more chicks in a few days.

COUNTY EXTENSION COUNCIL

Mack Donaldson and Densby Lowery, president and vice-president of the Coffee County Extension Council, are shaping up plans for the County Extension Council meeting which is tentatively set for around the middle of June. A superb program is being planned by Donaldson and Lowery. County Council members will be in for a real treat at this meeting.

RECOMMENDATIONS A peanut grower told me recently that in trying to save money on leafspot control last year he wound up losing a lot of money. He said, "I won't ever make that mistake again. Whatever it takes to keep those leafspot diseases under control, I am going to do it."

Auburn University's recommended leafspot schedule is very specific. They recommend beginning leafspot control 30 to 45 days - about the 38th day after planting was ideal - or by June 1.

A lot of Coffee County peanuts were planted this past week, and we are finishing up now. You certainly won't be able to

wait 30 to 45 days on these peanuts to begin spraying because it will be mid-June or the first of July, waiting until July would be risky. Even if the peanuts are just up to a stand on June 1, I would put the first spray on that week to make sure I kept this damaging disease under control. Use one nozzle and the recommended amount and you can cover additional acres and lower the cost.

SOYBEANS A couple of weeks ago the American Soybean Association released a survey estimating soybean acreage in 1983. Alabama growers indicated they would plant a little over 1½ million acres. Last year Coffee County producers planted about 55,000 acres of soybeans. Nationally, the 1983 planting intentions are about 25 percent below 1982.

Dr. John Henderson, soybean specialist at Auburn, says Alabama will decrease acreage some, but probably not over 15 - 20 percent.

Good yields are reported coming out of Brazil which will serve as a damper on soybean prices in this country. We will just have to wait and see how the harvest there and other places progresses. I do hope prices increase so growers can look in a profit.

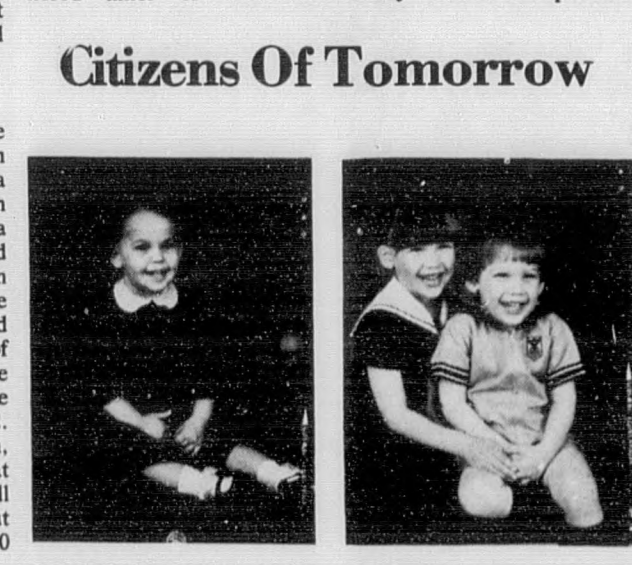
TIMBERLAND IMPROVEMENT The Coffee County Forestry Advisory Committee met late last week and came up with ideas to focus attention on the forest needs in the county. Detailed plans for a special forestry meeting were made. The on-farm meeting will be held June 10. Practices to be observed include weed tree control, prescribed burning techniques, timber management, improved species of pines and other recommended practices.

Forest Rangers Wayne Roberts and Bob DeVaghan have helped in conducting prescribed burning on about 2000 acres of timberland this winter and spring. Roberts pointed out that even where prescribed burning has been carried out most folks think a wild fire got loose. Prescribed or controlled burning is a management tool. More details on the June 10 meeting later.

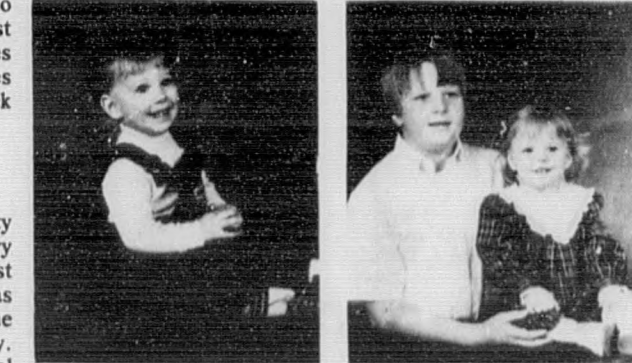
Insects And Diseases Harm Forests

INSECT AND DISEASE LOSSES The silent and often ignored killer of Alabama

forests are the twin pests insects and diseases, always present in the woods, but deadly when in epidemic



DEANA - 20 months, is the daughter of Barry and Faye Farris, 912 Claxton Avenue, Elba.



Kimberly Y. age 4, and Clayton L. age 2, children of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony H. Brown Rt. 4, Elba



Brett Bryan, age 11, and Emily Bryan, age 16 months, children of Mr. and Mrs. Hubert Ray Bryan, Rt. 2, Elba

Jason Downing, age 22 months, son of Rex and Kathy Downing, Rt. 1, Arton

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If there are only a few leaves affected, I would suggest just picking them off and destroying by burning. If several plants are affected with Zineb or some similar fungicide will control it. It is important to remove the gall or the disease will continue to increase each year.

LAWNS I have seen a lot of lawns doing very poorly this year. They are turning yellow and seem to be dying in spots. This is particularly noticeable on Centipede and

contact for effective salvage. Should any landowner have any questions about the presence of either insects or diseases on his property, he should contact the APC ranger or forester in his area. As a general rule cold, winter weather stops or slows down the growth of numbers and rate of spread of these pests, but our winters have been rather mild the last three years and have had little effect on pest populations. What is needed to break they cycles of insect and disease reproduction is at least two or three weeks of sub-freezing temperatures.

No actual figures are available which can reliably indicate the amount of actual loss in timber volume, or numbers of trees killed by forest insects and diseases, but visual observation, made regularly from the air and followed up by on-the-ground inspection, shows the losses to be considerably greater than losses to forest wildfires. Estimates run as high as 14 percent of all timber harvested State-wide would be equal in volume to the annual losses to these pests.

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Horticulture Tips

Dan J. Presley

AZALEAS

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Zoysia grass lawns. This condition could be caused by insufficient iron available to the plant. The cool, wet, soggy spring could have caused the phosphorus in the soil to tie up the iron so that it is not available to the plant. You may be able to green your lawn up by spraying it with an iron solution such as a ferrous sulfate at 2 ounces per 1,000 square feet. I think I would try the iron treatment before I went to one of the more expensive fungicide sprays. If the yellowness continues after the iron treatment, you probably have a disease problem such as brown patch which will require a fungicide spray. Follow label instructions.

Follow Label Instructions I can't over-emphasize the importance of following the instructions that are given on the labels of insecticides, herbicides and fungicides. These chemicals will do a good job safely if the instructions are followed.

I have seen plants damaged because too much of one of these chemicals was used. We cannot assume that if a little bit does a good job a lot will do a better job. This is not the case with our modern chemicals.

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Sports

Views From

THE PRESSBOX

By, Ricky Mularz Editor

The rainy weather last week washed out a couple of ballgames and made the weeds pop up in my yard, but it was just what the doctor ordered at the new softball fields! Maybe there's still hope we'll get up to the parks prior to "The Classic."

ELBA GRADS SHINE IN TROY STATE SPRING GAME

Troy State University held its annual spring game last Thursday night and two former Elba High grads turned in excellent performances.

Gary Bradshaw, a senior, lived up to his pre-game billing by turning in a solid game at defensive end. The ex-Tiger, an all-GSC honoree as a sophomore and a defensive standout last year, recovered a fumble that led to a touchdown and was the anchor on the winning wildcat team.

Ted Hostead, a redshirt freshman, continued to catch headlines from his fullback post. An offensive star at spring Horstead led the Red team with 86 yards on 11 carries and scored the Red's only touchdown. Now that Ted has shown what he can do, I'm looking for big things next season.

Now that two Elba players will be seeing action, it looks like I may turn into a full-fledged Trojan next season!

DIXIE YOUTH AND BABE RUTH PLAYERS OF THE WEEK

I umpire both softball and baseball, which makes it impossible for me to see all the Dixie Youth and Babe Ruth ball games; however, the bookkeepers do a good job and since I write up the games I do have a pretty good idea of what's going on. So, combining the stats and my knowledge I'll start picking the "Players of the Week" in both leagues.

The first Dixie Youth award goes to Greg Hanchey of the Mets. Greg, a pitcher-shortstop, pitched and hit his team to an exciting win over the Astros. His fastballs keep the opposing batters in trouble and his three-run home run late in the game easily cleared the fence and went deep in the hands of a deserving winner of the first DYL award!

This week's Babe Ruth honoree is Boyd English, a 14-year-old, ripped two home-runs in one game last week and Friday night collected three hits to keep his team unbeaten. His hot bat led to his honor!

INDUSTRIAL DAY ALSO A DAY FOR SPORTS ENTHUSIASTS

This year's Industrial Appreciation Day was not only a chance for the local industries to show their goods, but also a day for area residents to enjoy a little competition.

Over 500 runners entered the road race, and everyone of them made it all the way around the hot six-mile course. I considered entering; however, I've never run that far without stopping and didn't want to die so young in life. I salute all you folks who made it.

I never even thought about entering the bass tourney for a couple of reasons (1. I don't like to fish, and (2. Six a.m. is too early to get up on a Saturday), but 32 people did enter and thoroughly enjoyed themselves. The entrants got more than enough registration prizes to cover the entry fee, so the fishing was just icing on the cake! Ronnie Shiver and Chris Cox, two of my old buddies, took home most of the money, which should mean a free drink for your trip!

The local Chamber of Commerce did a good job with the annual event, and I guess it'll just get bigger and bigger. Heck, maybe next year they'll even have something for me to enter.

ELBA BANQUET CLOSES 'EM OUT

Elba High School held its All Sports banquet last week, and, sadly to say, it's the last banquet of the year. I enjoy going to banquets, not just because there's good food, but because I like to listen to speeches and see athletes get awards. At Elba's banquet the speeches were short, the awards well deserved and the food simply great. It was a good way to close out the sports season at the local schools.

GET READY - I'LL BE CALLING ON YOU

I was elected president of the Elba Athletic Club last week, and though it will take a few weeks to get myself organized, before long I'll be calling on you to pitch in and help us make this the club's best year ever! The club's sole purpose is to support athletics at the school, and I'm sure you know how financially testing the job is. The only way we can help is by getting your support; so get ready - this year we'll be calling on you!

GROWING LIKE A WEED - BETTER MAKE THAT - A ROSE

Melissa Hope Mularz is now 10 weeks old and growing like a weed - er, make that a rose! She's grown over four inches since birth, and gained over four pounds - much to the delight of Dear Old Dad, and I swear she's prettier every time I pick her up. What did I ever do without her?

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Plenty Of Action In Dixie Youth Baseball League

The action in the Dixie Youth baseball league was fast and furious last week and with the season now three weeks old it still looks like all six teams have a shot

at winning the crown. The Mets are atop the standings with a 3-1 record, followed closely by the Astros 2-1, Tigers 2-1, Yankees 2-2, Pirates 2-2 and Cardinals 0-3.

Following are highlights of last week's action:

**Mets 10
Astros 8**

The Mets pulled out to a 10-3 lead midway thru the game and held on to edge the Astros 10-8. The Mets led 6-0 after only two-innings and appeared headed for an easy

win, but the Astros rallied to pull within two-runs in the fifth and almost pulled out the win.

Greg Hanchey got 2 hits including a 3-run homer, to lead the Mets, while Tim Sullivan, Thomas Calhoun and Jason Grider all added 2 hits. Getting one hit were Mark Matthews, Barry Bryan, Larry Dixon, Darren Thomas, Scotty Norris and Frank Arnold. Bill Bennett and Kevin Matthews got 2 hits apiece for the Astros, while Ryder McCollough, Matt Henderson, Jim Flowers, and Daniel Donaldson all added one.

Keith Smith pitched a 3-hitter and struck-out 14 batters to lead the Pirates to a 4-2 win over the previously unbeaten Mets. The Mets led 2-1 after four-innings but the Pirates took advantage of 3 walks in the fifth to go ahead 4-2 and held on to win.

Keith Smith, Chris Thomas and Robie Stokes all got 1 hit for the Pirates, while Thomas Calhoun got 2 hits for the Mets and Tim Sullivan added 1.

**Mets 10
Yankees 0**

Greg Hanchey pitched a no-hitter and struck-out 12 batters in only five-innings to lead the Mets to a 10-0 win over the Yankees. The Mets took an early 2-0 lead in the game and rolled to the easy win. Greg Hanchey got 3 hits for the Mets. Hayden Young and Phil Bogan both added 2, while Barry Bryan and Scotty Norris both added one.

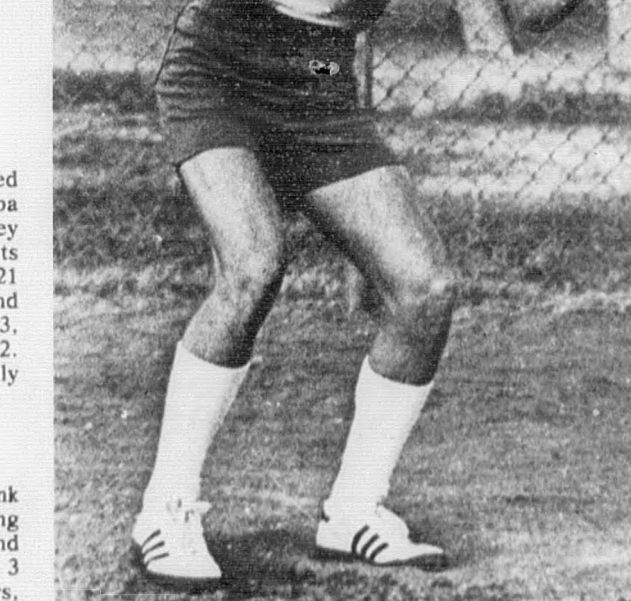
**Astros 11
Pirates 0**

Astros pitcher Keith Henderson walked 8 batters in only three innings, but battled his way out of trouble each time and hurled a no-hitter to pace his team to an 11-0 win over the Pirates. The Astros jumped on top 3-0 in the opening inning and took advantage of 15 walks to coast to the win. Joe Johnson got 2 hits for the Astros, while Bill Bennett added 1.

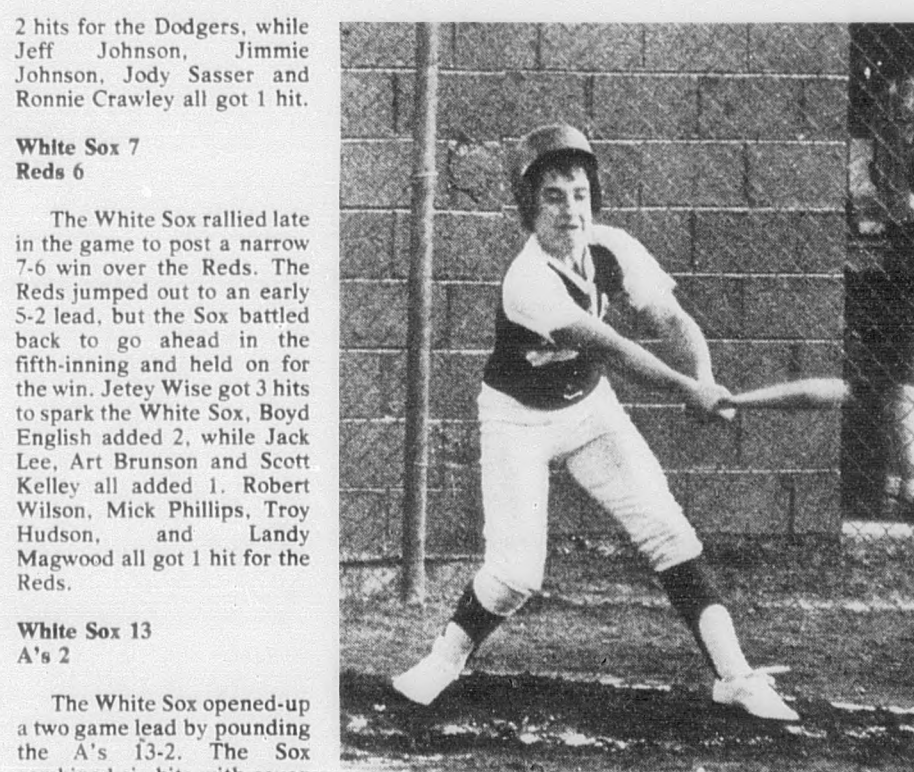
**Tigers 6
Yankees 0**

The Tigers were awarded a 6-0 win when the Yankees were not able to field a team.

**Pirates 4
Mets 2**



TIM DYESS . . . of Kelley's Packing watches the flight of a ball before taking a cut.



JUST MISSED . . . Reds' batter Scott Brown swings and misses at a pitch in Babe Ruth action.

in the sixth-inning to grab an 8-7 lead, but the Dodgers took advantage of two long errors in the bottom of the inning to plate two runs and claim an exciting 9-8 win. The game was sailing along tied at 1-1 in the fourth-inning; however, the Dodgers scored six runs in the fifth to go ahead and then

survived the Reds rally to post the win. Kimmie Daniels got 2 hits to lead the Dodgers, while Jody Sasser and Ronnie Crawley both added one. Robert Wilson got 3 hits for the Reds. Mick Phillips added 2, while Scott Brown, Gappa Wise, Landy Magwood and Winn Grimes all added one.

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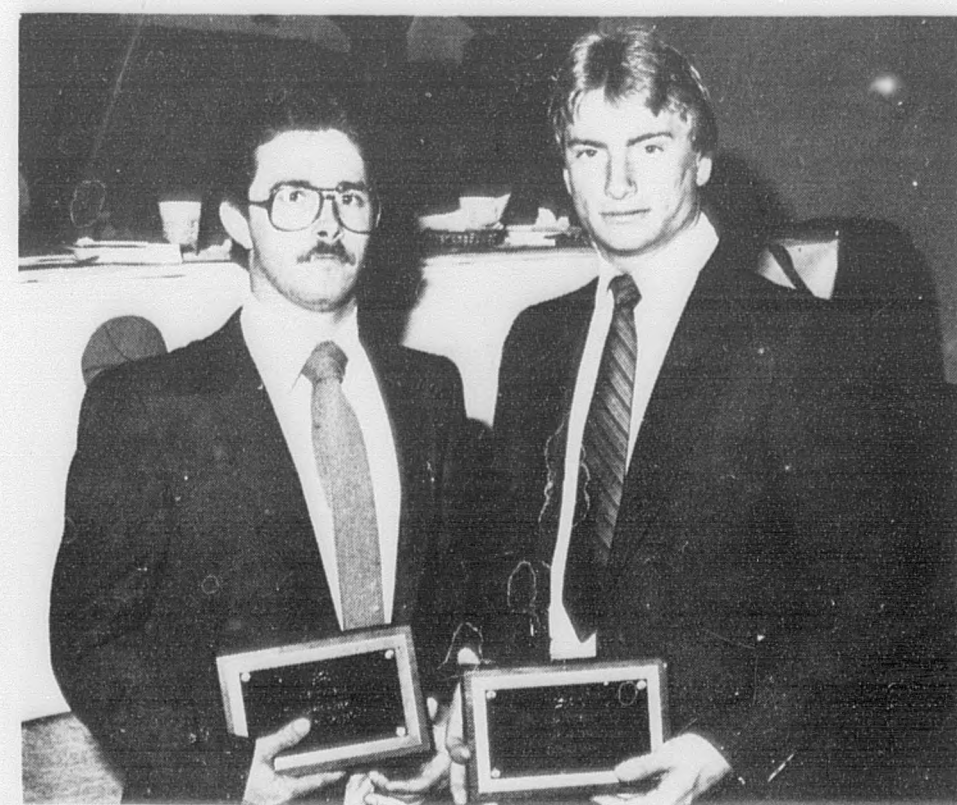
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Elba High School Honors Student-Athletes At Annual All-Sports Banquet



PERMANENT TEAM CAPTAINS . . . for the 1982 football team, as selected by the team, are (L-R) Terry Spicer and John Meacham.



AWARD WINNERS . . . included (L-R) Mark Henderson - Top Defensive Player in basketball; Bobby Gulley - MVP and Captain in basketball; and Tim Williamson - MVP in baseball.



FOOTBALL WINNERS . . . receiving awards from Coach Mack Wood (far left) were (L-R) Rhett McCollough - defense; Mark Henderson - defense; Brad English - offense and Donald Bowdoin Memorial, and Erwin Gunnells - Charlie Windham Memorial. (Not pictured - Michael Scott - offense)



SCHOLASTIC WINNERS . . . in girls' activities were (L-R) Diane Hall - basketball; Kim Whitman - cheerleader; and Benita Willis - softball.

The student-athletes of Elba High School were honored on Thursday night, May 12, when the annual "All Sport Banquet" was held at the high school cafeteria.

Honored students participated in football, basketball, baseball, cheerleading, girl's basketball and girl's softball. Principal Lamar Foley welcomed the large gathering and following a delicious dinner, the presentation of certificates and awards began.

Athletic Director and Head Football coach Mack Wood presented a plaque to Mike Capps, outgoing president of the Elba Athletic Club, and praised Capps for his dedication and hard work involving both the club and the school's athletic department.

Capps thanked Coach Wood and all the coaching staff for the help given to the club, and also thanked all club members for their work during the past year. He presented the annual "Athletic Club Member of the Year" to Ricky Mularz, last year's vice-president. New officers for the 1983-84 year were introduced, including Ricky Mularz - president, Ray Goodson - vice president and Betty Hudson - secretary.

Cheerleader sponsor Debra Jackson stated this year's cheerleaders were "a good group that had a great year." All cheerleaders received trophies, including Millie Pearce, Dawn Smith, Susan King, Wendy Bowers, Gina Donaldson, Sheila Johnson, Lisa Moore, Peggy Whitman, Lori Chandler and Jennifer Hudson.

Jackson, also the girls' basketball coach, called this year's team "A dedicated and determined bunch." All players got certificates, while special awards went to Patricia Daniels - All SAC and All Wiggins, Diane Hall - All SAC, Scholastic Award and Most Valuable Player, Cara Horstead - Top Rebounder, Jackie Brunson - Ms. Hustle, Janet Abbott - Most Improved and Marie Danaher - Most Spirited.

Jackson, the girls' softball coach, stated "This was the school's first team and the girls did a tremendous job." All players received certificates



SENIOR FOOTBALL PLAYERS . . . included (L-R) John Meacham, Erwin Gunnells, Charlie Marler, Terry Spicer, Steve Todd, Brad English, Larry Mills and Vince Fortune.



GIRLS' WINNERS . . . Winners of special awards in Girls' Athletics were (L-R) Diane Hall - basketball and softball; Peggy Whitman - softball; Coach Jackson; Sheila Johnson - softball; Cara Horstead - basketball; Patricia Daniels - basketball and softball; and Benita Willis - softball.



CHEERLEADERS . . . for the 1982-83 season were (L-R) Kim Whitman, Dawn Smith, Wendy Bowers, Susan King, Stacey Carpenter, Millie Pearce, Susan Dorsey, Gina Donaldson and Sheila Johnson. (Not pictured is Lisa Moore.)

Schedules

Dixie Youth

Monday, May 23

6:00 - Mets vs. Astros
7:45 - Yankees vs. Pirates

Thursday, May 19

6:00 - Yankees vs. Astros
7:45 - Tigers vs. Cardinals

Babe Ruth

Thursday, May 19

6:00 - Dodgers vs. White Sox
8:00 - A's vs. Reds

Monday, May 23

6:00 - Dodgers vs. A's
8:00 - White Sox vs. Reds

Men's Softball

Thursday, May 19

At High School, 6:30 - Elba Merchants vs. Hammonds Body
7:30 - Hickory Pit vs. Peoples Bank
8:30 - N.B. Merchants vs. Southland

Tuesday, May 24

At Legion Field, 6:30 - Exchange Bank vs. Peoples Bank
7:30 - Hickman Movers vs. Southland
8:30 - White Sox vs. Elba Merchants

Monday, May 23

At High School, 6:30 - Hammonds Body vs. Exchange Bank
7:30 - Cook Chev. vs. Kelley Packing
8:30 - N.B. Merchants vs. Hickory Pit

Wednesday, May 25

At Legion Field, 6:30 - Kelley Packing vs. Hammonds Body
7:30 - Hickory Pit vs. Cook Chev.
8:30 - Elba Merchants vs. N.B. Merchants

Peach Blossom Classic Bass

Roundup Set For May 28

The first annual Peach Blossom Classic Bass Roundup, sponsored by the Clanton Dairies Club, will be held on Saturday, May 28, at Lake Mitchell. All proceeds will go to the Verbena

Volunteer Fire Department. Registration will be held from 8:00 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. May 28 at the Higgins Ferry state launch (near second Clanton exit off I-65), with

rules discussion set for 8:30 - 5:45 a.m. Boats will leave the launch after the rules discussion and weigh-in is set for 4:00 p.m.

Entry fee for the "Buddy Tournament" is \$50 per boat and first prize will be \$1000. Second place is 20 percent, up to \$500, with third place worth 10 percent, up to \$300. There will be a 10-fish per boat limit (12-inch limit), no iced-down fish will be weighed, and all live fish will be returned to the lake.

For more information call 755-0424 (days) or 755-6985 (nights).

Other prizes and trophies will also be awarded. For more information contact Gene or Daniel McBroom at 588-8751, or stop by McBroom's Canoe Rentals on Highway 92 at the Choctawhatchee River, near Daleville.

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THE ELBA CLIPPER



NEWS FROM OUR EARLY FILES

TEN YEARS AGO MAY 17, 1973

***Mr. and Mrs. L.A. Boutwell, and grandson Donnie of Rt. 1, Jack, are pictured with an armadillo at their rural home last week. The dogs bayed the animal during the night.

***John Pyfrom, Bobby Baker and Greg Prescott are pictured as they uncrate two new electric arc welders and arc torches the Elba High School FFA chapter has purchased. These members were top salesmen in a recent fund-raising project to buy the welders.

***Miss Cyndi Stokes and Miss Vicki Taylor were honored Saturday, May 12, when their mothers, Mrs. Bill Stokes and Mrs. Holman Taylor, entertained with a luncheon at the Stokes' home on Polka Street. Those seniors attending were Misses Mary Collier, Donna Adkinson, Glenda Kelley, Debra Bludworth, Pam Davis, Debra Coon, Genny Spurlin, Becky Hammon, Henrietta Gaines, Debra Willis, Rhonda Drewery. Teachers present were Mrs. Judith Butts, Mrs. Mary Young and Mrs. Helen McCollough.

***Brian T. Corley, son of Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Corley, Elba, has been selected to receive the Colonial Dames of America History award. Corley is a member of Phi Alpha Theta and Kappa Delta Pi.

***Mrs. Annie Britt is 84 years old - still active, still singing and an expert in crewel embroidery. This former resident of Coffee County who raised her family in the Curtis Community, is also a former farmer, teacher and musician who taught piano during the Depression for ten cents a lesson.

TWENTY YEARS AGO MAY 16, 1963

***Relatives and friends were saddened Tuesday morning when it was learned that Mrs. Charles P. Hayes had died at 7:00 o'clock in an Enterprise hospital. She was the wife of Dr. C.P. Hayes who is confined to a Montgomery hospital following surgery. Mrs. Hayes was Miss Kate Stephens of New Brockton.

***The Masque 'N' Wing Drama Club of Fort Rucker has cast Jimmy Harrison, a popular Elba boy in the one-act melodrama "No, No, A Million Times No," and in the musical variety "No Business Like Show Business."

***Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Leo Roberts of Marietta, Georgia, were weekend guests of their parents Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Roberts of Elba and Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Marler, of Opp.

***Roy Barlow of the Basin Community is reworking the water disposal system on two of his farms this year. The first step was made by constructing three gully control structures that will take the runoff water from 55 acres of row cropland.

***For Sale: 7-piece living room group, modern bedroom suit, 7-piece dinette suit, all for \$399.95. Thomason Furniture and Carpet Company.

***LaVonda and Donna Bowdoin, lovely little daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Jimmy Bowdoin of Bristol, Tenn., spent last week with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Cecil Bowdoin.

***Three ladies softball teams have been organized in Elba.

THIRTY YEARS AGO MAY 14, 1953

***Members of the cast of the Sr. class play at Elba High School were Laverne Perkins, Jimmy Bowden, Donald Jones, Maerene Owens, Kenneth King, Lynnae Bryan, Clinton Carter, John Milton Wise, Danette Bowdoin, Arlene Moore, and Martha Vaughan. Title of the play was "A Family Affair."

***Jean Wise of Rhoades Community is shown by the side of a barbecue pit she recently completed as part of

a home beautification project in her 4-H club work.

***Jesse Wilson, head of what is probably Alabama's only large tent manufacturing concern, is shown as he works with one of his machines at his "tent loft" on the Enterprise Highway. The Elba Tent Manufacturing Loft, Worth Supply Company, is one of only 20 in the U.S.

***Local baseball enthusiasts affiliated themselves with the Conecuh River Baseball League May 7. Billy Morrow was elected secretary-treasurer. Malcom Plant, arden fan, player and supporter said other officers would be elected at another meeting.

***The pool in the courtyard is being painted a sky blue.

***Rev. John F. Lindsey and his wife, the former Juanita Fuller, are recent graduates of the New Orleans Baptist Theological Seminary.

The Lindseys, both Elba High School graduates, will reside in Beatrice, where he has been pastor of the Baptist church for the past two months.

Rev. Lindsey is the son of Mrs. G.E. Lindsey and she is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C.E. Fuller.

FORTY YEARS AGO MAY 20, 1943

***Completing a 17-week course in the upkeep and maintenance of B-24 Liberators, largest combat bombers used today by the Army Air Force, Pfc. Jack B. Windham, son of Mr. W.P. Windham of Elba, was graduated as an airplane mechanic today from Keesler's Army Air Force Technical Training Command.

***A marriage of interest to a wide circle of friends was that of Miss Grace Moore and William Leonard Walsli, Jr., both of Elba which was solemnized Saturday evening, May 8. The groom is manager of the Elba Hatchery.

***Charged with the vital task of keeping huge B-24 Liberators in the high state of mechanical perfection required for modern aerial combat, Pfc. Thomas L. DeVaughan son of Mr. and Mrs. William C. DeVaughan, Route 4, Elba was graduated today as an expert mechanic from Keesler's Army Air Force Technical Training Command.

***A birthday dinner was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Horace A. White, Route 1, New Brockton, May 16. Others who attended were their children - Evelyn, Estelle, L.J. and Melvin; Mr. and Mrs. A.H. Reeves and children, Rodgel, Carl and T.L. Mr. and Mrs. T.L. Harris and daughter Doris. Among those who visited during the afternoon were: Mr. and Mrs. Bradley Cox and children Charles, Eleanor, James, Helen and Sue Ann; Mr. and Mrs. T.L. Maddox and children Vera and Maylene; Mr. and Mrs. L.D. Hughes and children, Scottie and Pollard; Alton and Hilton Brooks; and Johnnie B. Wambles.

***The Department of Public Health will conduct a course on sanitation and safety for food handlers at the Enterprise State Junior College. The course is designed to develop greater understanding of the causes and prevention of food borne illnesses.

Those who successfully complete this course will receive a certificate from the State Health Officer. Each food establishment holding a health department permit is strongly urged to have at least one representative complete this course. The course is open to anyone who wishes to attend, is free and all materials will be furnished by the Health Department. Those wishing to attend should contact the Coffee County Health Department.

The course will consist of four sessions, 3 hours each, from 1:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. beginning May 31 and ending June 3, 1983.

Band Concert To Be Held

The 6th Grade Beginner Band and the 7th Grade Intermediate Band will perform in Spring Concert on Thursday night, May 19. The concert will be at 7:00 p.m. in the Elba High School auditorium.

The 6th graders are completing their first year of band and the 7th graders are completing their second year. Both groups under the direction of Barry Taff are very excited about this year's ending performance.

"I am very proud of each and every student in these two groups. They have worked long and hard this year and would like to show you their results. Your support is greatly appreciated."

The Coffee County Retired Teachers Association held its regularly scheduled luncheon meeting at Perry's Restaurant on April 26, with seventy-eight members attending. At the request of Mr. Crook, president of the association, Mr. Harvey Locklar gave the invocation.

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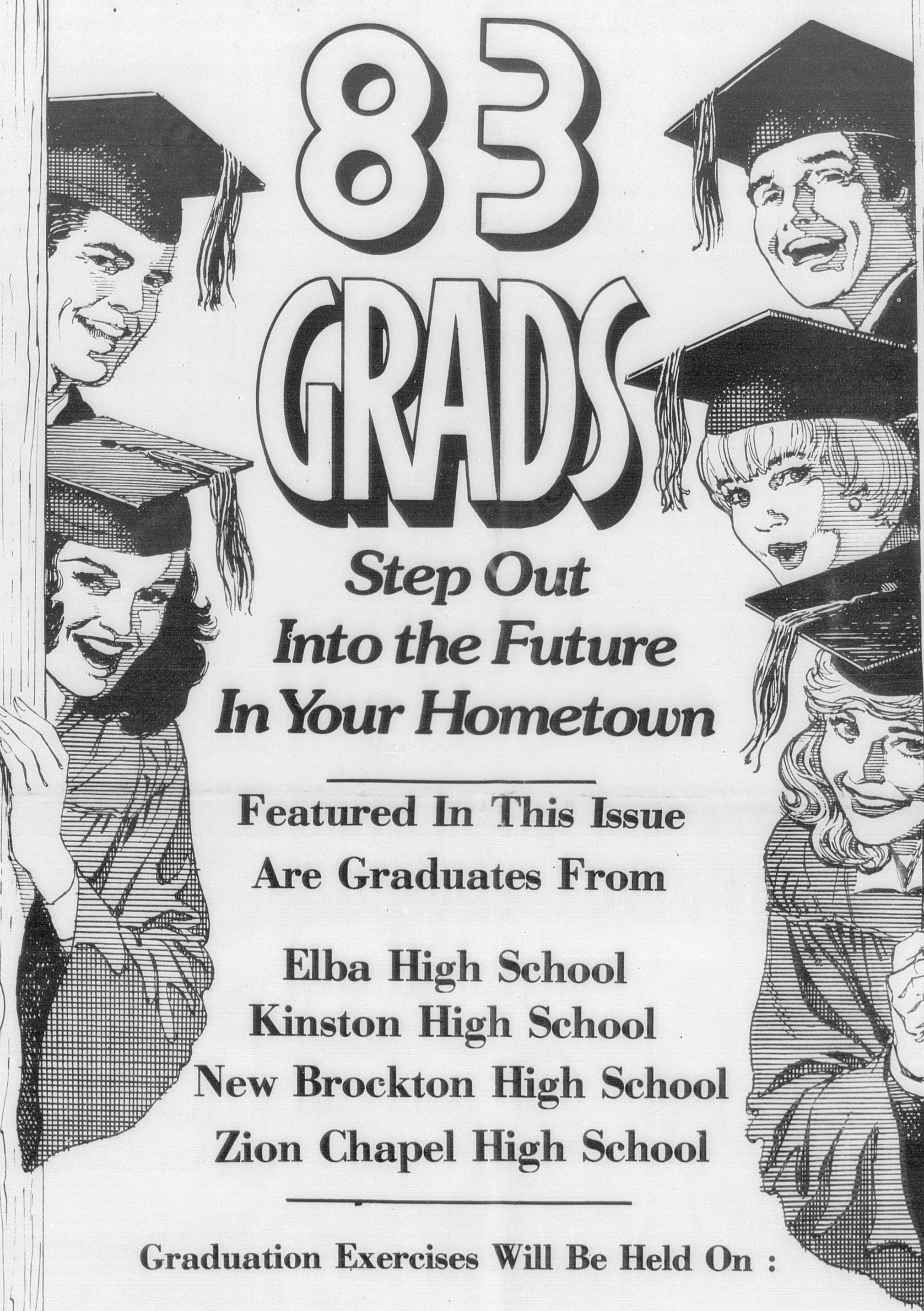
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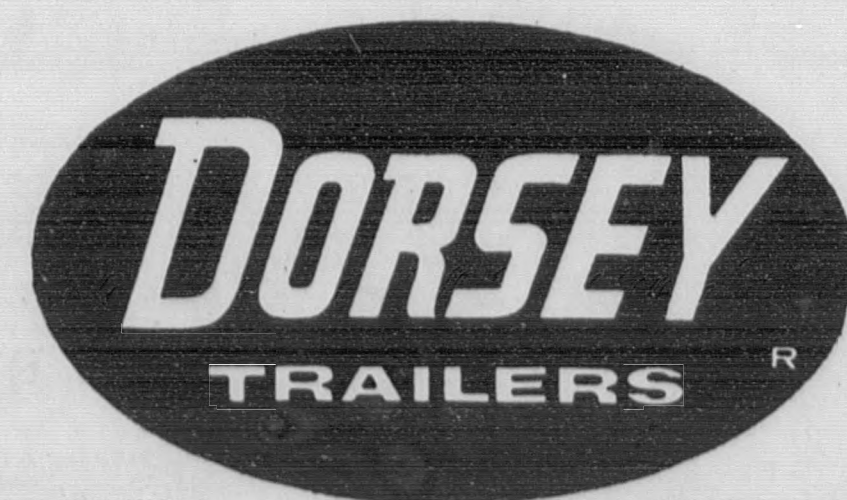
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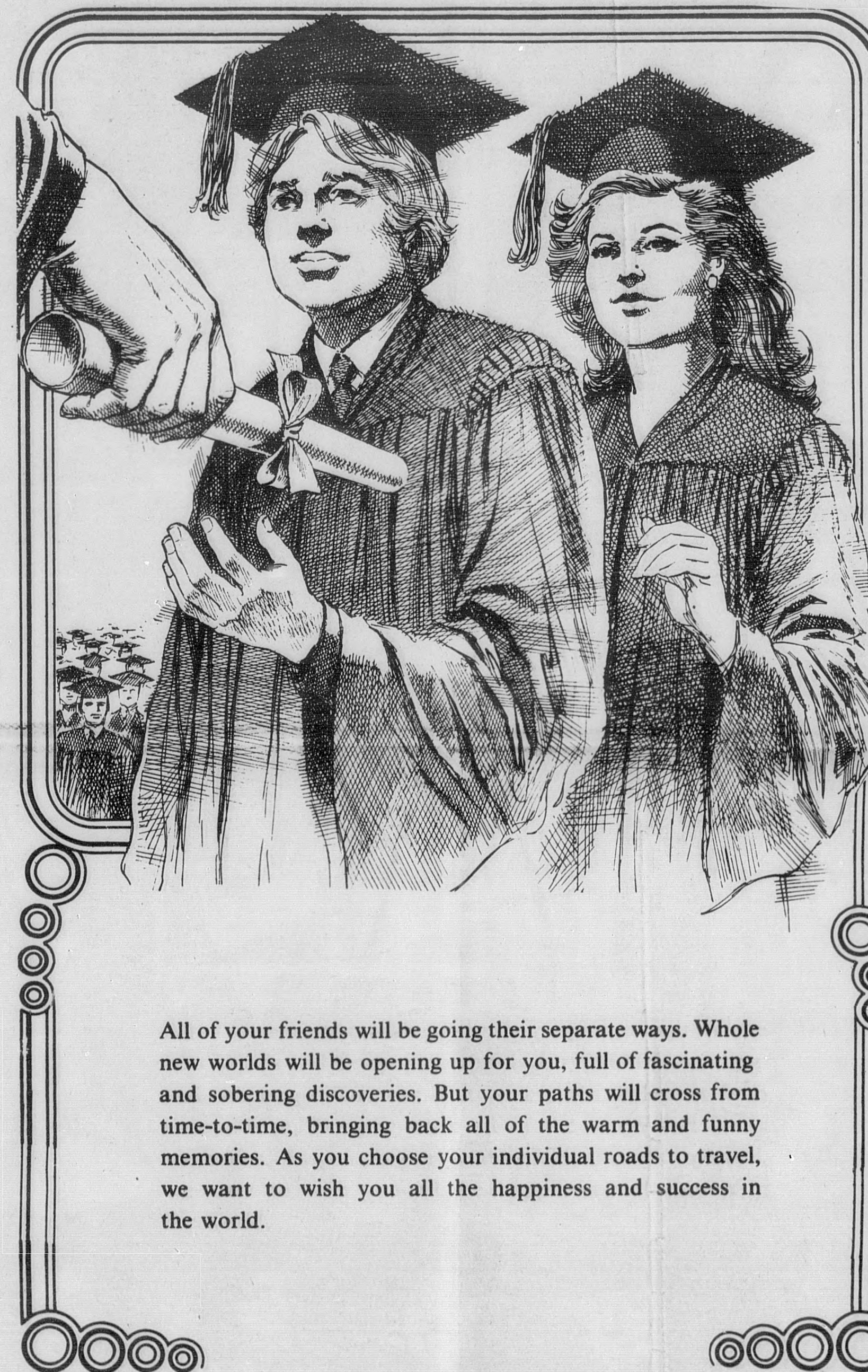
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ROW 3: Tanya Renee Bryan, Kathy Burks, Donnie Haidon Byrd, Jorjaun Campbell, Constance Scott, Clay Carman Coleman, Floyd Coleman

ROW 4: Rita Renee Coon, Karen Michele Cox, Johnny Daniel, Patricia Ann Daniels, Van Preston Deal, Wesley Eugene DeVane

ROW 5: Elizabeth Susan Dorsey, Maurice Ellard, Bradley Stanton English, Cara Leigh English, Foly, Rita Kay Flowers, Vincent Fortune, Karen Rene Garland

ROW 6: Debra Gibbs, Jacqueline Patricia Gray, Karen Leigh Grider, Bobby Gully, Erwin Hayes Gannells, Mary Diane Hall, Teresa Lynne Harbuck

ROW 7: Keith Henderson, Juanita Hill, Ulrika Holmen, Angela Holt, Cara Denise Horstead, Jessi Lynn Jones, Tiffie Lavon Jones



1983 Elba High Seniors

ROW 8: Patrick Jones, James Joseph Jurasek Jr., Mickey Clayton Kelley, Pamela Renee Kelley, John Gregory Kidd, Lisa Renee Macdon, John Regan Maddox

ROW 9: Benjamin Wade Mallory, Denise Edd Manning, Charles Carol Marler II, Charles Troy Matthews, John Devane Neachan, Kecia Monique Miller, Larry Earl Mills

ROW 10: Donald Edward Morris II, Walter David Nelson, Benita Kaye New, Jeffery Davie Odum, Michael Shane Phelps, Scarlett Denise Rhoades, Cathy Sue Rushing

ROW 11: Keith Rushing, Richard Todd Sanders, Melissa Lynn Siler, Teresa Diano Simmons, Philip Bryant Smith, Terry Dewayne Spicer, Julia Frances Stephenson

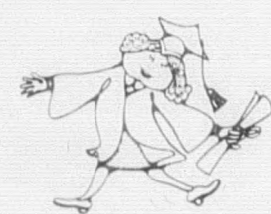
ROW 12: Ruby DeLinda Stinson, Deewin Lydelle Stokes, Pamela Jo Stoudemire, Steven Gregory Toud, Richard Brennon Wambles, Cynthia Mersay Ware, Gary Lamar Weeks

ROW 13: Donald Ray White, Starla Dawn Whitehead, Kimberly Kay Whitman, Pamela Jean Williamson, Tim Elkin Williamson, Benita Earl Willis



1983 Kinston Seniors

Row 1 (l-r) Pauline Austin, Terry Bedsole, Patricia Benefield (honor student), Tim Blackmon, John Cain, Terry Caldwell, Leroy Carney; Row 2 Marcie Chambliss (honor student), Danny Childers, Jess Davis, Robin Davis, Victor Davis, Sherry Demonbreun (honor student and Salutatorian) Row 3 Sharon Donaldson, Sheila Edgar, Cynthia Free, Monica Harrison, Anita Hataway, Linda Henderson, Tommy Holmes



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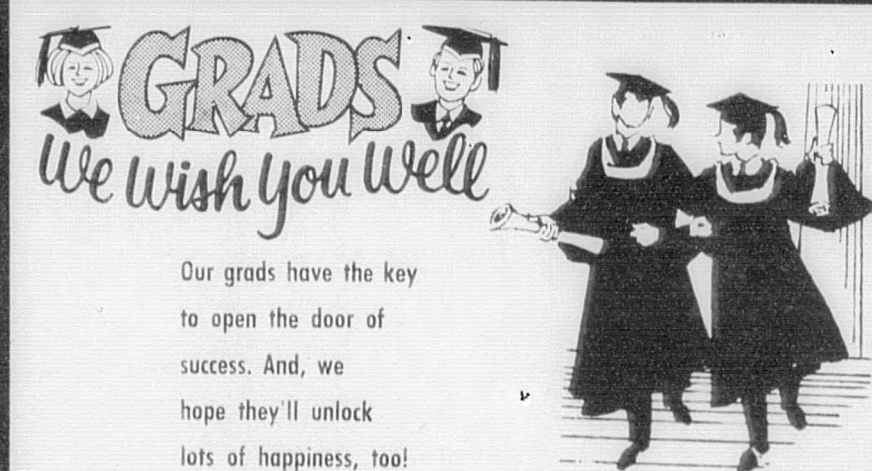
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1983 Kinston Seniors

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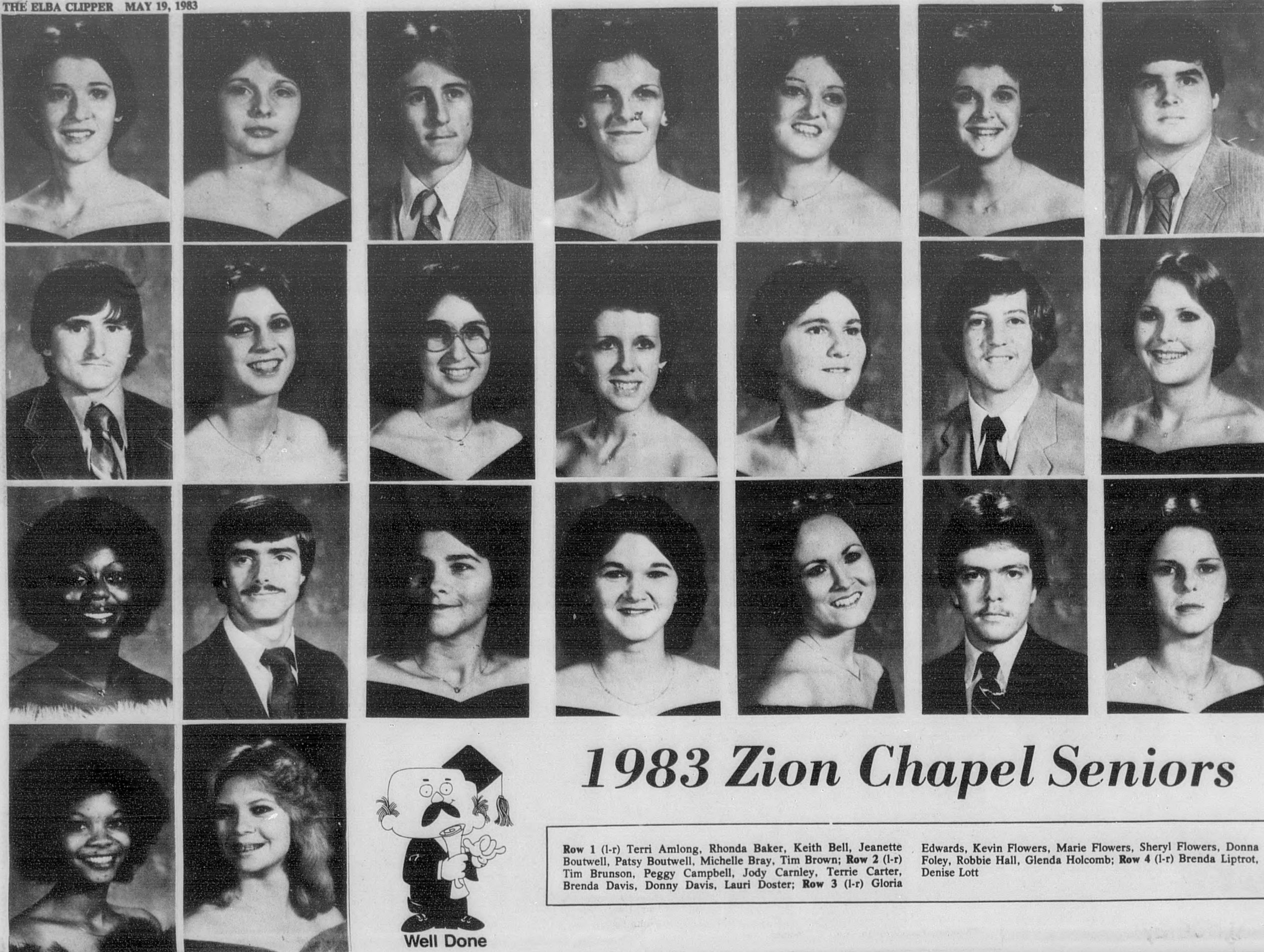
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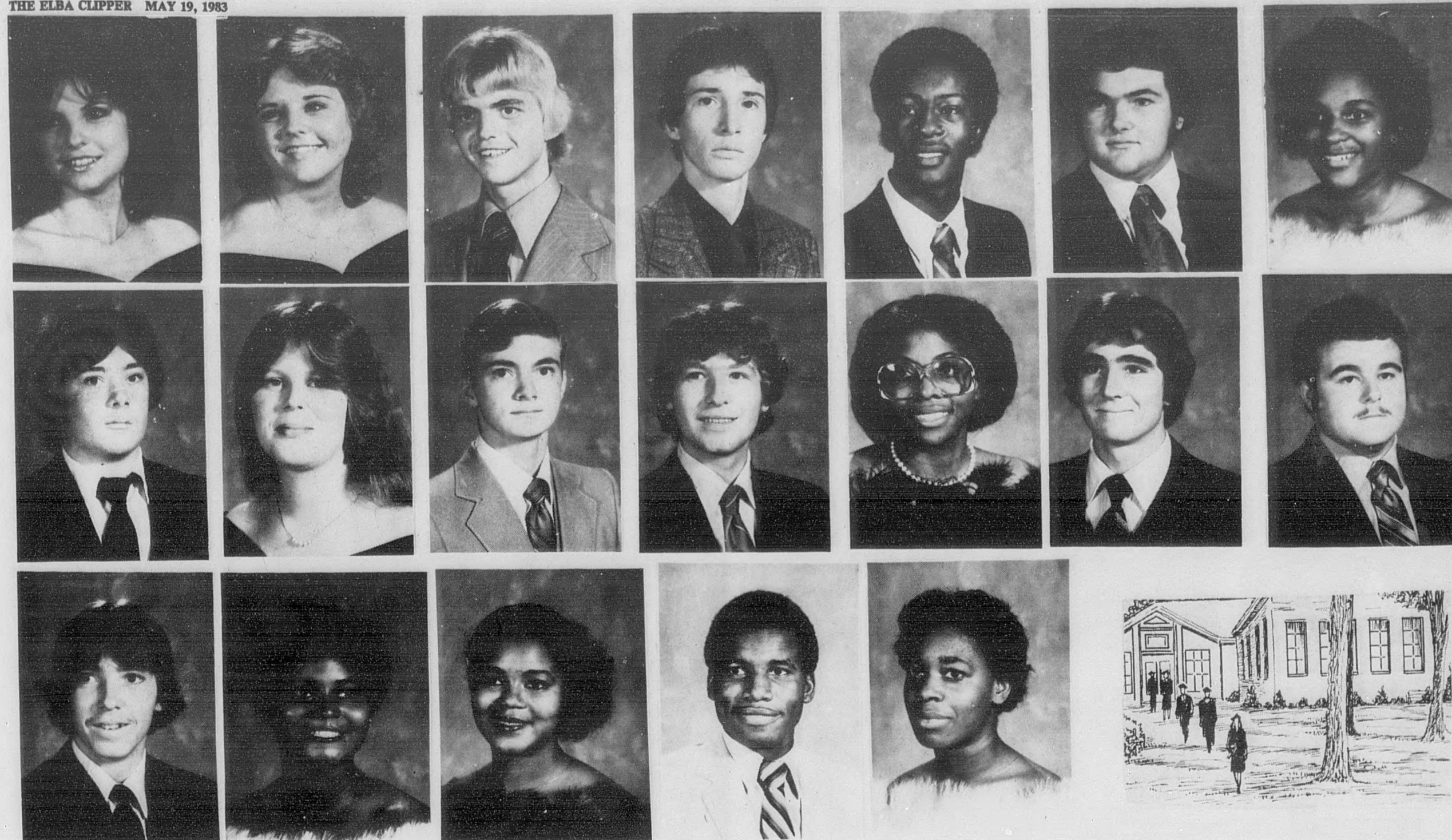
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1983 Zion Chapel Seniors

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1983 Zion Chapel Seniors

Row 1 (L-R) Alison Maddox, Rhonda Mehaffey, Greg Marler, Royce Miley, Alvin Moultry, Wayne Mulkey, Lisa Newsom; Row 2 (L-R) Donnie Parker, Sheila Perkins, Dwan Pope, Bobby Price, Fritz Refegee, Kenneth Sanders, Don Senn; Row 3 (L-R) Don Simmons, Angela Thrasher, Debra Thrasher, Paul Warren, Nadine Wheeler



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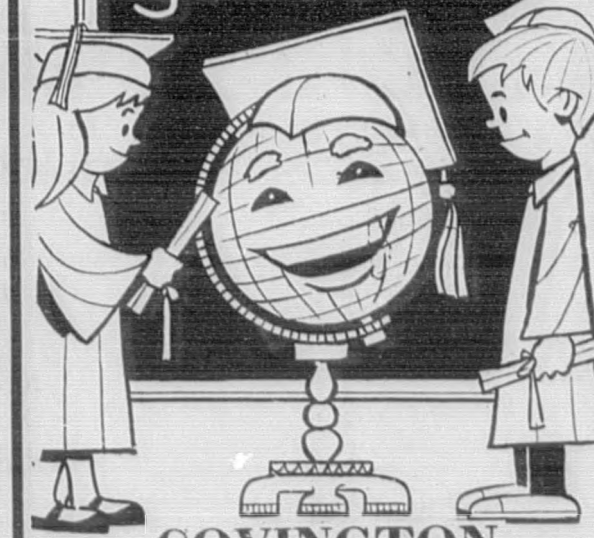
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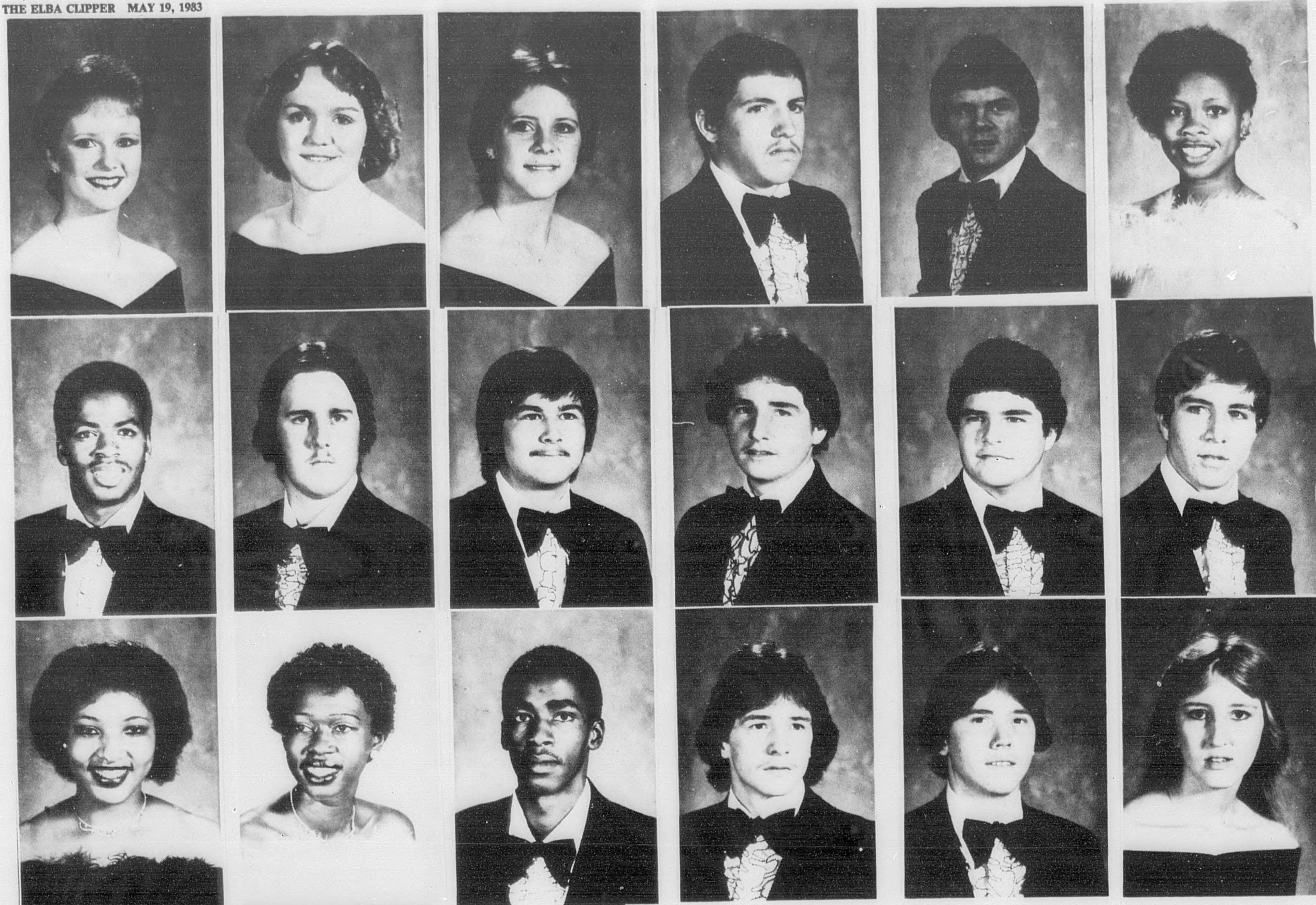
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Foster, Ronnie Gilley, Tim Goodwin, Elaine Gray; Row 4 (l-r) Stanley Haggan, Donie Harris; Row 5 (l-r) Perry Hines, Herbie Hodge

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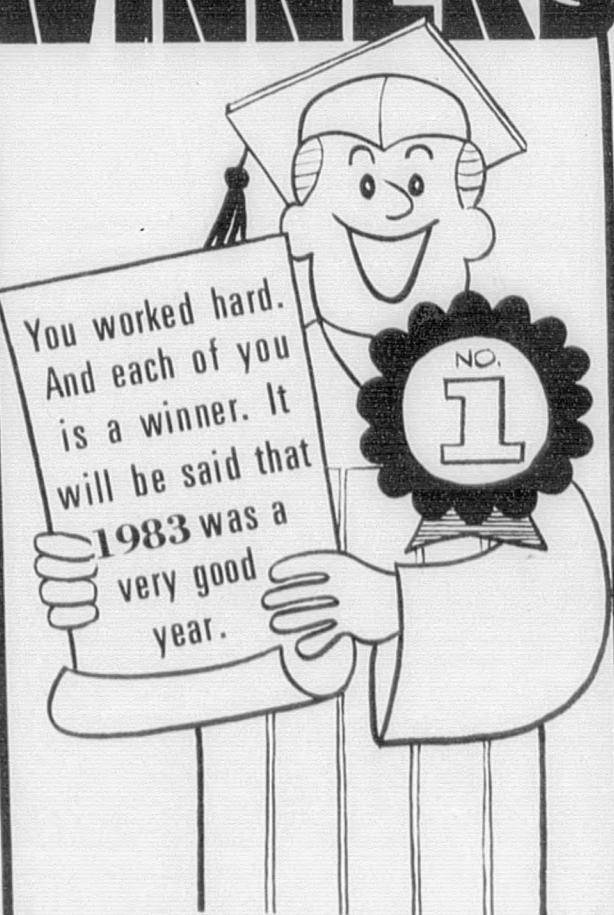
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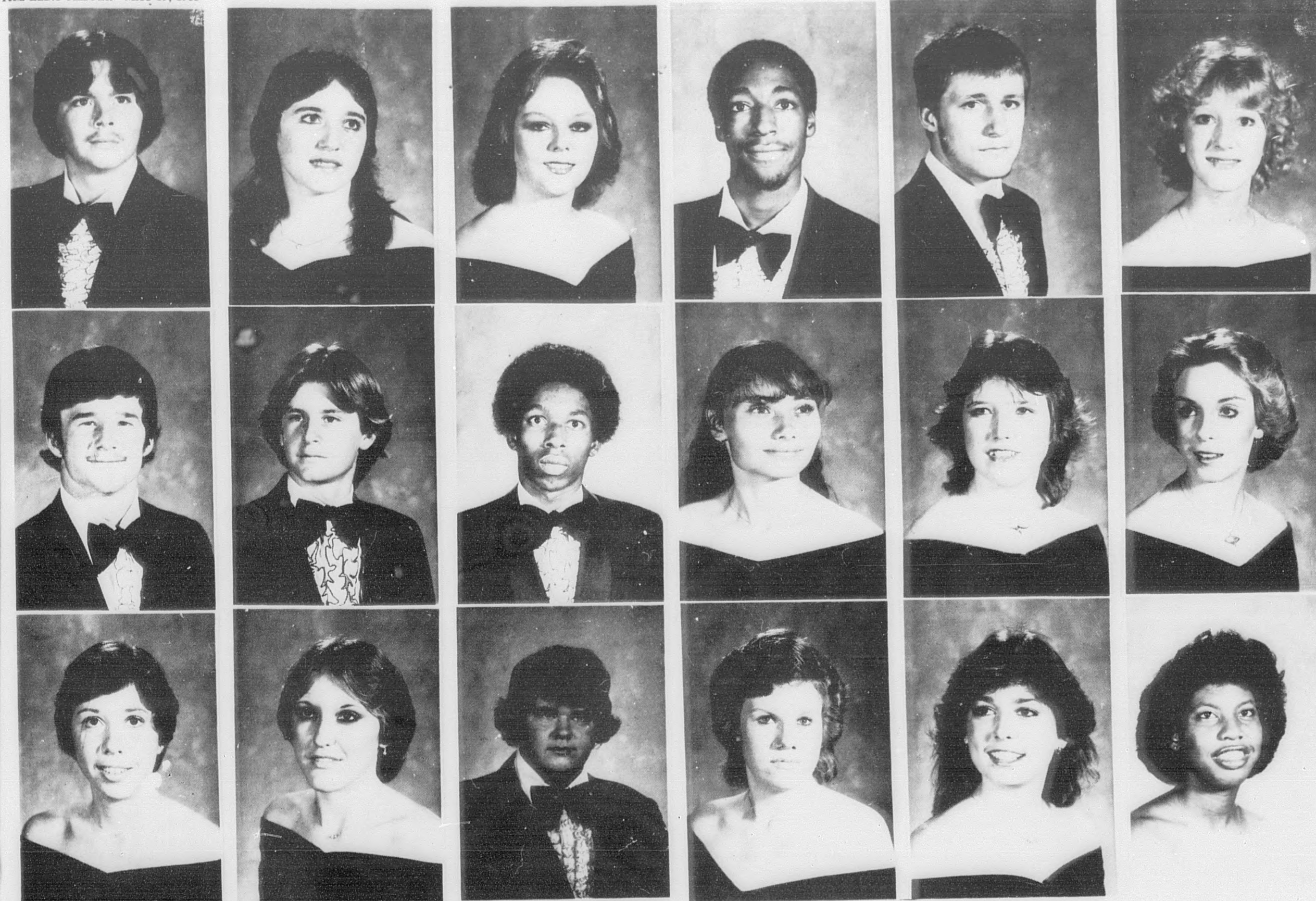


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Lisa Redd, Sabrina Rowe; Row 4 (l-r) Charlene Senn, Danny Senn, Starla Sipper; Row 5 (l-r) Robin Smith, Rodney Smith, Pam Snuckey; Row 6 (l-r) Belinda Williams, Matt Williams, James Wright

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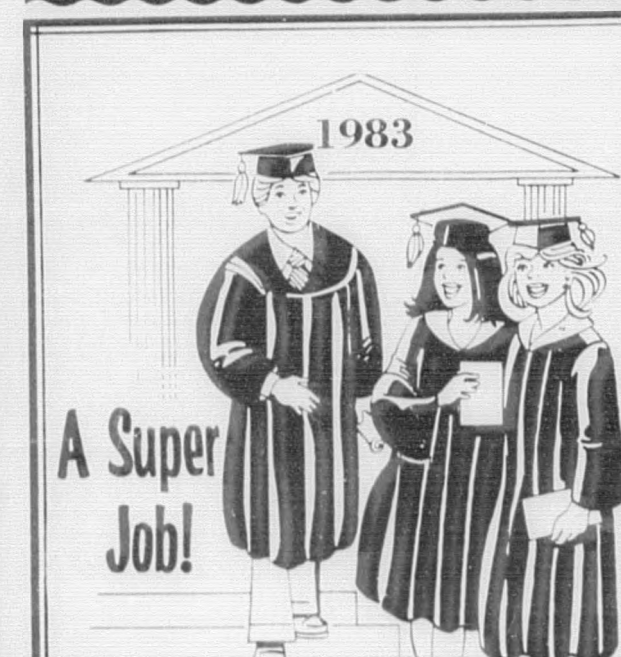
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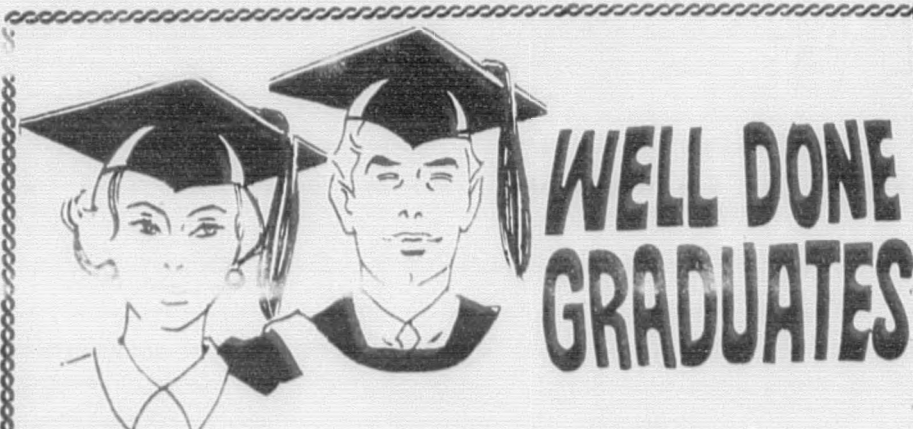
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Seniors Of The Week

Featured as Seniors of the Week this week are (from left) Johnny Maddox, Darren Walden, Ammie James Johnson, Ronnie Caldwell, and (not pictured) Ben Mallory. Each of these young men have attended Elba City Schools for the past twelve years.

Johnny is seventeen and the son of Naoma Maddox. He has been a member of Future Farmers of America for the past four years. His favorite class is math, and his favorite teachers are Mrs. Barbara Amos and Mrs. Vickie Bandstra. His pastimes include girls and seeing Te'Nee.

After graduation Ammie James plans to find a job. Ronnie is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Masie Caldwell. He is nineteen and is a member of the Future Farmers of America. His favorite subject is speech, and his favorite teacher is Mrs. Judith Tucker. His hobbies include hunting and fishing.

Darren's post-graduation plans are to join the military. Ammie James is the eighteen year old son of Leona Johnson. He is a member of the Future Farmers of America, and is employed at Thomas Williams Timber Company. His favorite teachers are Mrs. Barbara Amos and Mrs. Vickie Bandstra. His pastimes include girls and seeing Te'Nee.

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Ben is the eighteen year old son of Mr. and Mrs. Wade Mallory. He presently serves as president of the Future Farmers of America, is a member of the FFA Quartet, and of the Marching Tigers and symphonic bands. He is employed as a scorekeeper at Legion Field. His favorite class is Vocational Agriculture IV and his favorite teacher is Mr. Mike Carney.

After graduation Ben plans to attend Troy State University.

Greg Henderson Wins Scholarship To Auburn

Three National Merit Scholarship recipients have been announced by Auburn University to receive scholarships through funds provided by the Auburn Alumni Association.

The entering freshmen are Charles A. York of Huffman High School in Birmingham, Edward H. Blankenship of Talladega High School and Gregory K. Henderson of Elba High School.

Henderson will study computer engineering. He is salutatorian. "Prep Bowl" team captain, holds the math and literature awards, is Math Club vice president, band chaplain, and member of the French Club, Beta Club, yearbook advertising staff and the jazz ensemble.

The Auburn Alumni Association sponsors three entering freshmen at Auburn each year under the NMSC program.



Shown above are the new Beta Club officers who were installed at this month's meeting. They are: President Keith Murock; Vice-President Aleah Hudson; Secretary Wendy Bowers; Treasurer Gina Donaldson and Reporter Susan King.

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Beta Club Elects New Officers

The Elba High School Senior Beta Club met on Thursday, May 12, in the high school cafeteria.

President Connie Clay called the meeting to order and presented the new officers for the coming year. The present officers then installed the new officers with the traditional ceremony.

The senior members of the club were then recognized, and presented with a Beta Club tassel and certificate. Mr. Sharpless then expresses a special thanks to Connie for her dedication and hard work, and presented her with a plaque.

Refreshments were served to each member of the club. The meeting was then adjourned until the 1983-84 school year.



**GOOD LUCK
GRADUATES**

Pictured from left to right: Lisa Daniels, Kim Bradshaw, Michele Farris, Rita Coon, Jennifer Barnes, Wesley Devane, and Gary Weeks.

Vica Club Enters Events

The fifteenth annual state leadership conference and Alabama Skill Olympics were held April 29-30 in Birmingham. Elba's VICA members have attended the conference and olympics since they began in 1968. To be eligible to enter in this prestigious competition, VICA members must place 1st or 2nd in their district competition.

Elba's VICA opening and closing ceremony team placed 3rd in state. Officers are: President, Rita Coon; Vice President, Wesley DeVane; Secretary, Jennifer Barnes; Reporter, Kim Bradshaw; Treasurer, Michele Farris; Parliamentarian, Lisa Daniels; Club Advisor, Shane Phelps.

Representing the club in welding competition was Gary Weeks, placing 3rd in the state. Gary also has received a scholarship to any technical college of his choice.

Also attending the conference as voting delegates were Dean Blair, Todd Sanders and Alan Bryant.



Cooperative Education Feature

This week the Cooperative Education Program of Elba High School features Keith Boswell and Boswell Roofing Company. As shown in the picture, Mr. Charles Boswell is instructing Keith

how to properly install wind turbines. Keith has been employed with Boswell Roofing for two (2) years and enjoys his work very much. His duties include roofing, flashing chimneys, installing

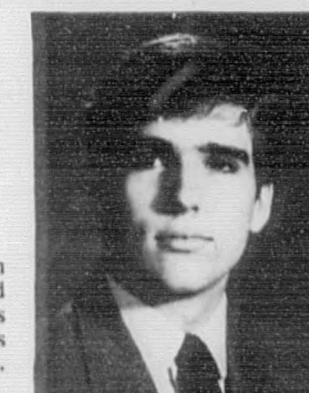
Honor Students Named

Elba High School principal Lamar Foley has released the names of twelve seniors who will graduate with a grade point average of 90.0 or above are:

Named valedictorian was Erwin Gunnells, vice-president of Mu Alpha Theta, and a member of the Beta Club, Youth for Christ and French Club. He plans to attend Auburn University.

Gregory Keith Henderson was named salutatorian, and graduates with a 96.93 average. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Comer Ray Henderson.

Other students graduating with a grade point average of 90.0 or above are: Angela Holt, Tonya Renee Bryan, Constance Scott Gray, Jacqueline Patricia Gray, Kimberly Whitman, Karen Michele Cox, Benita Earl Willis, Bradley Stanton English, Cara English Foley and Phillip Bryant Smith.



Erwin Gunnells



Greg Henderson

Salute to the Graduates

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Students Invited To Compete

For Scholarship

High School students are invited to compete in the fourth annual international scholarship program, sponsored by the Thomas Alva Edison Foundation and the Max McGraw Foundation.

Locally the competition is being coordinated by Alabama Power Company.

Of twelve scholarships to be awarded, 10 will be for \$1,000 each and two grand award winners will receive an additional \$4,000 and an expense-paid trip to Berlin for an Edison birthday celebration sponsored by General Electric. Funds are provided by the Edison and McGraw Foundations.

The deadline for entries is November 18, 1983. For more detailed information, interested students and teachers may contact Alabama Power's Educational Services Office at 250-2549.

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Students attending any parochial, public or private high school may enter the competition, which recognizes outstanding students who demonstrate the creativity of Edison and McGraw.

Entries must consist of a letter from the student's teacher or sponsor, explaining how the student best exemplifies the qualities of Edison and McGraw.

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Council Gives \$250,000 To City School System

The Elba City Council voted Monday evening to appropriate \$250,000 to the Elba City Schools for renovation of the high school complex. The vote on the matter came minutes after Superintendent John Osburn completed a detailed report on planned renovations and asked the city for the money. Present with Osburn were members of the school board.

The formal request and official vote came after many months of discussion and thought by both the board members and city officials. An original stumbling block to the project was the 25-year obligation to repay the hospital loan. With the leasing of the hospital, this problem was eliminated and the city fathers felt they could borrow the money to match the \$253,743 already on hand for the project.

The money on hand came from the State of Alabama oil windfall funds and must be used for building or building improvement, and can't be used in operations of the school.

Osburn showed city officials a drawing of the area to be renovated and presented an estimated cost of \$501,519, plus architect's fee.

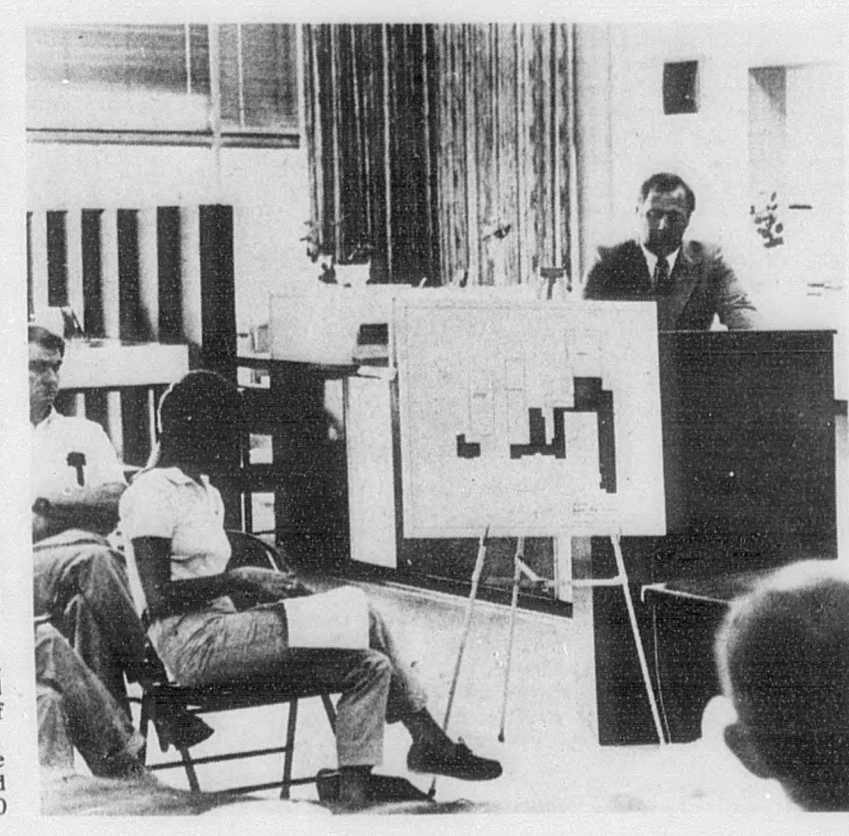
Tentative plans call for extensive remodeling where necessary to extend the useful life of the building at least 30 years.

The junior high building, which was built in 1950 and had a new roof installed three years ago, needs an estimated \$295,000 of repairs, with the three largest items being complete new wiring and modern fluorescent lights at \$65,600; complete new heating and air conditioning at \$60,940; and replacing all windows with new insulated glass units at \$48,893. Other expenditures would include new floor tile, new chalkboards, painting, acoustical tile ceiling, nine-inch insulation in ceiling, new doors and other woodwork, plus cleaning and repairing of bricks.

The auditorium repairs would cost an estimated \$33,830. This would be some floor and ceiling repair, replacing doors, renovating stage front and additional lighting and controls for stage.

After Mayor English recommended the council honor the request, Imman said he was proud of the students who graduate from the Elba school system and made the motion to honor the request. This was seconded by Councilman Charles Kennett and approved unanimously.

Richard DeVaughan, head of the Coffee County Association of Retarded Citizens, requested the support of the



Supt. of Education John Osburn tells city councilmen of plans for repairs at the city schools. The council gave the system \$250,000.

work totals \$21,000.

The high school office renovation would cost about \$28,000 and would include new lighting and a new heating and cooling system.

Osburn told Councilman Sonny Imman that work should be underway by next September, and he had been assured that bids could be let in a manner that the contractor would know he was to disrupt school as little as possible by scheduling remodeling to certain areas and completing this before starting another. Completion is expected to take six months.

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city in a summer camp for handicapped and retarded citizens. He explained that Elba had given \$500 last year, and on a motion by Kennett, seconded by Councilman Cleo Hawkins, the \$500 grant was approved.

Excess water running under his house caused an Ann Street resident to request help from the city. Mayor English explained that engineers had been asked to survey the problem and he would give the homeowners an answer before next council meeting.

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Elba Is Now A 'Prepared City'

The City of Elba is officially a certified member of the Alabama Development Office "Prepared City Program". The official designation was made Tuesday when Governor George Wallace received a delegation of Chamber of Commerce members in his Montgomery office and presented Elba Mayor Bob English with the signed credentials acknowledging the certification.

On hand for the picture-taking session that usually accompanies such activities were, from left: Ferrin Cox, Everett Kelley, Mark Vaughan, Oscar Vaughan, John Hawthorne, ADO Community Development, Senator Crum Foshee, Representative Jimmy Holley, John Osburn, English, Tom and Alice Maddox; Jim Brook, Alabama Electric Co-op Economic Development representative; Betty Ham, Paula Mims

and ADO Director Red Etheridge.

A prepared release presented following the presentation, quoted Governor Wallace as saying, "You have certainly demonstrated your determination to help turn the economy around." The governor said, "The ship-shape condition of your industrial assets convinces me you are well-qualified now to attract new manufacturing payrolls. You are indeed a prepared city."

The Prepared City Program, administered by the Alabama Development Office, is directed toward guiding Alabama cities with populations of 20,000 or less toward strengthening their industry-attracting assets to meet specified standards. These include the readiness to show industrial prospects at least 25 acres of controlled property with high potential as a place for

locating manufacturing plants.

Another PCP requirement is that a team of a minimum of 12 vitally interested business, civic and elected leaders are ready to present a polished presentation of their community to industrial prospects. Their presentation is to be accompanied with well-planned materials, relevant to livability factors and other advantages of plant location in the particular locale.

The addition Tuesday of Elba and the Bibb County city of Centerville to the Prepared City list brings the total number of Alabama prepared cities to 23.

The Prepared City Program has been a year-long project under the direction of Chamber President Merrill Shirley and Executive Director Paula Mims.

Elba Police Nab Fugitive

A man arrested by the Elba Police Department on Friday, May 13, has been identified as a California native wanted by authorities in at least three states for various crimes.

The man - Edward Pat Davis, a black

male, was arrested by officers L.C. Cook and Buddy Ammons at 2:00 a.m. as he slept in a car at Morrow Village. The Elba Police Department was alerted six weeks ago that Davis could be in the Elba area, and the arrest came during a

police stake-out.

Davis is wanted in California for the rape of a 12-year-old girl, two cases of child molestation, grand theft auto, possession of stolen credit cards and fraudulent use of credit cards.

Authorities in South Carolina wish to question Davis in connection with a series of crimes, and Mobile, Alabama, police now have Davis in custody on burglary charges.

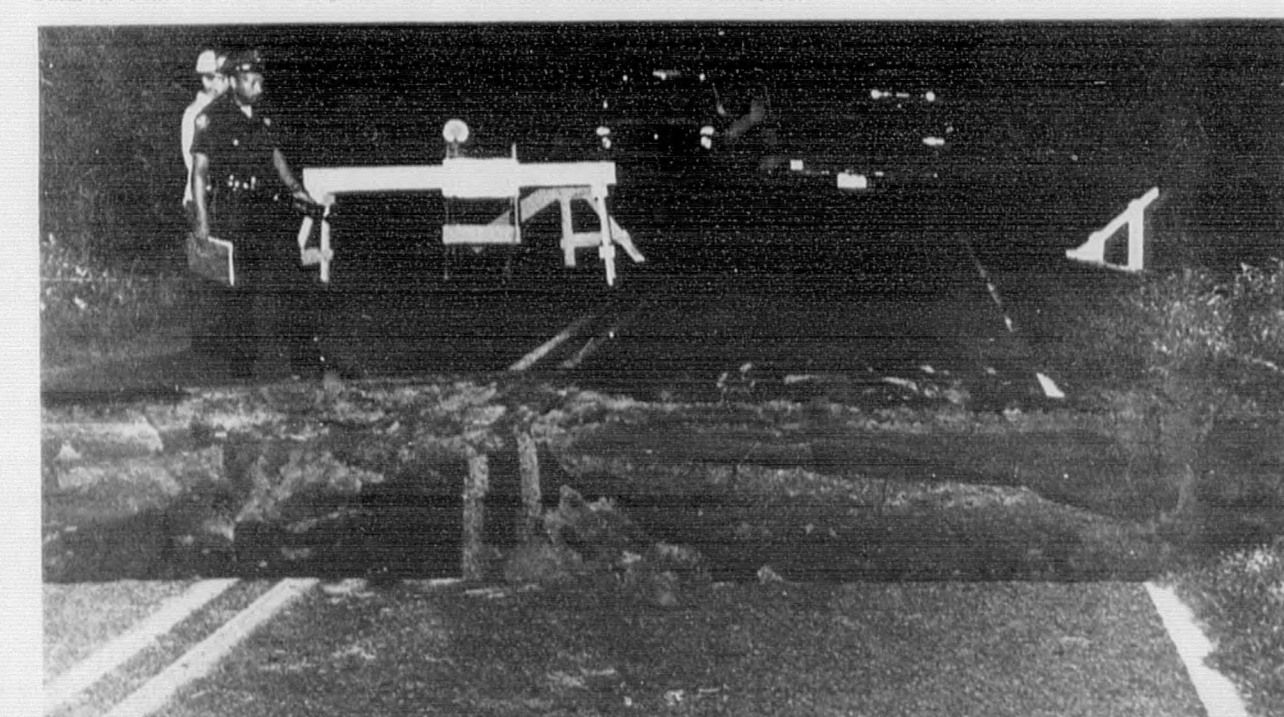
Kenneth Grantham Joins Staff At Peoples Bank

The Peoples Bank is pleased to announce that Kenneth Neal Grantham will be joining its staff June 1.

Kenneth is a graduate of Elba High School and Troy State University. He was formerly employed with Associates Finance for five years, The Citizens Bank of Prattville for two years and

First Insurance Center/The Grantham Agency since 1980.

Kenneth and his wife, Lucia, have three children, Reese and Neal. He is a past member of the Delta Civitan Club, the Prattville Optimist Club and presently a member of the Elba Jaycees and Elba Chamber of Commerce.



Heavy Rains Damage Road, Lead To Accident

A one-vehicle accident last Saturday night sent three occupants of the automobile to Elba General Hospital for treatment. The accident happened when the car, reportedly driven by Gloria Mitchell Kyles, of Rt. 1, Samson, hit a deep washout on Taylor Mill Road. The six-to-eight-foot hole in the

highway completely cut the roadway in two during the heavy rain of Thursday night.

Barricades had been erected on both sides of the ditch, but the driver apparently failed to see these and hit

the ditch; the car then came to rest several car lengths on the other side of the hole.

Elba police officer Leonard Cook investigated the accident. The Elba Rescue Squad transported all three of the injured to the hospital for treatment. None was kept overnight.

The Coffee County Commission met in regular session on Monday, May 23, at the Courthouse in Enterprise and held a short, but very active meeting.

Present at the bi-monthly meeting were commission chairman Marion Brunson, commissioners Gilmer Grant, Rex Bouwell, Charlie Mack Martin, Eugene Bradley and Marvin Bowden.

Mastercard has stated it will prosecute for fraudulent use of its credit cards; however, the company may have to stand in line!

After the routine adoption of the minutes of the previous meeting, the subject of overtime in the Sheriff's Dept. was brought up. The commission had previously appointed a committee to work with the sheriff on the controversial issue; however, since the two sides had not yet met, it was decided the issue will be discussed at the next regular meeting.

In a related matter, the commission was informed overtime checks were ready for Sheriff's Dept. employees for hours worked during the Donald Ard appeal case. The commission obviously ordered the checks to be written, but ignored other overtime hours because they were not incurred during an emergency situation.

Mr. Richard DeVaughan, director of the Coffee County Association of Retarded Citizens, told the commission the association would again offer a summer program for retarded citizens in the county. The program will last six weeks and consist of 1/2-day sessions, including such activities as arts and crafts and swimming.

Upon DeVaughan's request, the commission agreed to donate \$1,000 to the program to help meet expenses.

Sheriff Bruce Paul stated he was in contact with a member of the State Board of Corrections last week and learned the state now offered a program to help counties renovate jail facilities.

According to Paul, three supervisors would be sent to county crews aided in the county and the inmates will do work on the county jail at no cost. The county will be asked to provide materials needed; however, the inmates will do

such work as painting, wiring, plumbing and general repairs.

The county will house the inmates in the jail and also provide outside housing for the damage done to his yard by the water. The state workers are expected to arrive in a matter of weeks and Sheriff Paul assured the commission there was enough work to "keep 'em busy."

The sheriff also reported of a Cooperative Agreement Program offered by the U.S. Marshall's Service, where money is set aside for construction and renovation of jail facilities.

Under the program, \$15,000 is available for renovation and \$40,000 for construction of county jails. In exchange for the grant, a county would have to agree to house Federal prisoners at the county jail. The county would also receive a per diem allowance of \$12 - 18 per prisoner, but the fact prisoners could be in the jail for up to 25 years raised a few eyebrows and resulted in the sheriff suggesting the feasibility of the program be studied further.

Before leaving the meeting, Sheriff Paul stated the jail now held 36 inmates, including 17 state prisoners. He estimated the jail would be free of state prisoners by mid-July, but reported the state still owed over \$115,000 in medical bills for state prisoners and a large amount for housing the inmates.

The commission instructed the sheriff to make all efforts necessary to recover the funds.

Engineer Frank Charlton stated the county was in desperate need of an assistant engineer since the sudden death of Eugene Jacobs, a long time county engineering employee. Charlton reported the state would pay half the salary and recommended hiring a recent applicant for the position. An interview was set up to meet with the applicant.

The tornado in New Brockton caused severe damage, reminded the engineer, who reported all county crews aided in clean-up operations. The area was later declared a disaster area by the governor, and state crews came in to finish the operation.

A visitor to the meeting complained of drainage problems at the Jeter sub-division, near New Brockton, and passed around photographs of the damage done to his yard by the water.

The engineer explained the history of the problem, listed possible solutions and stated he would meet with all landowners involved in an effort to solve the problem.

In other action at Monday's meeting, the commission:

***was informed by Sheriff Paul that his department had put in overtime hours due to the recent tornado in New Brockton and flooding in rural areas;

***was informed of a Disaster Assistance Program workshop to be held in Ozark on June 1 - 2;

***stated it would open bids on used trucks to be used in leveling on May 27 at 10:00 a.m.;

***was introduced to new Cross Trails Library administrator Sybil Gilbert, who thanked the commission for its support;

***entered into an agreement with the State Highway Dept., stating the county would use "oil lease funds" on the Spraks Street project (\$251,500);

***voted to close a portion of a road adjoining the Rhodes and Barbaree property near the Perry's Store Community;

***approved the appointments of Edford Kelley and Leette Nelson to the Damascus Water Authority;

***stated it would formally dedicate a historic marker on July 9 at the site of the "Hart grave at the Weeks Assembly of God Church;

***reappointed Comm. Martin to serve on the South East Alabama Regional Planning and Development Commission's Board of Directors;

***appointed Judge Brunson, Comm. Boutwell and Revenue Comm. Ronnie Burns to study bids on a computer planned for use by the county;

***and viewed a slide presentation on Home Health Care to be shown in the county.